



# Council claims budget 'best for years'

COUNCILLORS and staff have carved out the best budget situation that Weymouth & Portland has seen for years.

And a shortfall of just £500,000 on its rough

annual spend of £50 million for 2015-2016 is being dealt with through a series of structured savings.

Finance director Jason Vaughan said that the

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current situation was a reward which had been created by switching from annual budgeting to forward budgeting as far ahead as 2020.

He added: "This is the decade of change for Weymouth & Portland.

"We estimate that during this period the borough will lose £9 million alone in government grants and funding by 2020.

"This put the council in an impossible position where radical change was the only way for-

ward if the authority was to continue to survive. And I do mean survive. It was as radical as that."

Key measures have produced a £700,000 annual saving through the council handing over the running of the Pavilion to the community and £3 million worth of savings through partnership with West Dorset, with more savings expected once North Dorset joins the partnership.

Mr Vaughan said: "These are big examples of savings but there are

also many smaller ones as well which have all helped reduce a budget black hole of several million pounds a few years ago down now to about £500,000 for 2015-2016.

"This means that we are more than two thirds of the way towards bridging that £9 million loss by 2020.

"The current £500,000 budget shortfall – which could be mirrored in each of the future years to 2020 – is going to be dealt with by reviewing services such as how phones can be answered more efficiently which

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## Emporium still open for business



Brewer's Quay Emporium will be open for business as usual for at least another two years. Full story on page 3.

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**CATHY Harvey is the co-ordinator of Bridport's Allington Hill Volunteer Group, affectionately known as the Allington 'Hillbillies', and has lived in the area for most of her life.**

**She works in retail and is married to Jon, who worked as a member of the local police team before retiring.**

**Cathy became involved in the 'Hillbillies' group soon after it was formed in 2011 and has been part of the committee ever since.**

**Over the last four years, Cathy has worked tirelessly alongside a dedicated team of volunteers to improve the state of Allington Hill and Cooper's Wood, two of Bridport's best-loved green spaces.**

#### ● HOW long have you lived in the area?

I HAVE lived in the area for about 30 years, moving to North Allington 22 years ago. I'm happily married to Jon who was the local bobby until he retired. I've worked in retail all my working life - and I'm very much a people person, so it suits me down to the ground, except that I'm stuck indoors!

#### ● HOW did the 'Hillbillies' group get off the ground?

THE Allington Hill Volunteer Group was started by the Woodland Trust in January 2011 with the first working party laying a hedge.

The state of the hedge had bothered me for ages and I had moaned about it every time I walked past, so felt duty bound to go along.

They held a meeting several months later and I offered to do a bi-monthly newsletter - I think I'm just about to send out number 26! To raise funds for the hill we had to form a committee.

Many were willing to sit on the committee but none would take on the role of chair. It seemed I had no choice and reluctantly took on the role.

We have a great team, with a broad base of talents, including keeping me under control! I often get told to stop thinking.

Since then, Allington Parish Council has taken over the lease on part of the area known as Cooper's Wood and Field.

The community has really got involved in all the events that take place. They are often community-led and we involve local people whenever we can.

#### ● WHAT was it that drew you to the group?

THERE were two reasons why I joined the group. Except for the local shop, North Allington has no community facilities, such as a hall or school, that can bring people together.

I was brought up in a small village and lived next to the village hall. One of my lasting memories was the year that we were snowed in and the village lost its electricity.

My Dad visited everyone in the village and told them to go to the village hall where he had lit the log burner. They brought food with them and my Mum cooked a massive meal on our Rayburn.

Everyone stayed warm and was well fed - it turned out to be quite a party too!

I felt we needed a community focal point and this was it.

Secondly, the Woodland Trust still used chemicals on the hill to control ragwort and nettles. We now do this by hand and work closely with the trust to make sure this is a chemical-free zone.

#### ● WHAT is the next event or project for the Allington Hillbillies?

LAST year we applied for grants for the community area, Cooper's Wood and Field. A First World War memorial bench is being made by Stan Toombs from solid oak, and this will be installed and trees planted nearby, supplied by the Woodland Trust. We also have grant money to improve the access to the hill for all the community. We are working every Sunday morning - weather permitting - to restore the boundary line in Cooper's Field.

#### ● WHAT inspires you most?

I GET my inspiration from my mum and dad. The older I get the more I realise how much they have shaped my life. I'm a farmer's daughter, even though my dad gave it up in the 1970s.

He was a traditional farmer and hated what we were doing to our countryside with all the pesticides and chemicals.

He said we were killing the countryside. He has been proved right and I'm now trying to do my bit, in a very small way, to restore the damage.

Another inspiration of mine, and someone who many people may remember, was Memelkia Jellicoe - an inspirational lady who I will never forget. She was a lovely lady who I started gardening for. She had taught in South Africa and traveled widely.

She told me about her adventures and the people that she had met, and always said that language is no barrier. If you really want to do something, you will make it happen.

#### ● DO you have any ambitions in life?

MY hope is that one day I will be able to afford to



travel. Other cultures fascinate me. I have been to China and the raw culture there that has not been westernised or made a tourist attraction was so varied. They are desperately trying to hold on to the many varied cultures and religions within the country.

I would also love to learn to play a musical instrument, but I can't even clap to a rhythm. I often wish I could play the guitar, but it would be beyond me.

#### ● DO you take part in any other community or organisations or groups?

UNFORTUNATELY I find I just don't have enough hours in the day!

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## Public voices views over future of health services

A SINGLE umbrella organisation, perhaps based at Dorset county hospital in Dorchester, could be used to centralise the running of three clinics at Weymouth community hospital.

Up to 70,000 Weymouth and Portland people can currently make use of the clinics, which include walk in and minor injuries facilities, but all three are currently run independently of each other.

The idea of an umbrella organisation to run them all was put forward at a meeting of Dorset's clinical services review as part of a wider look at health services all over Dorset.

The suggestion came from Weymouth and Portland Health Network chairman Michel Hooper-Immins who said the clinics are currently run independently of each other and would be much better organised under DCH.

Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) chairman, Dr Forbes Watson, who opened the meeting, replied that different organisations duplicating processes on the same site was "not ideal".

Dr Watson said the review was looking at safety, high quality and a sustainable service, adding that its budget of £1 billion currently helped a population of 750,000 but that this would rise to 800,000 by 2020-2021 with "a significant proportion" of elderly people.

Dr Watson warned that there could be a funding gap of £167-£200 million by 2021, so there was a need to make some "significant changes" through this far-reaching review.

The plan is public engagement and option discussion this spring, formal public consultation in the summer and autumn before formal decisions are made by the CCG at the end of the year.

CCG deputy director Liane Jennings said people wanted to see more out-of-hours GP services, local provision of services such as blood tests and physiotherapy and specialist centres of excellence.

She added that more than half the patients currently admitted to the community hospital could be cared for at home while some services didn't have access to patients' health records. Accident & Emergency admissions were expected to rise 22 percent and hospital admissions by 30 percent over the next ten years, so there was a clear need to organise existing resources.

A lively question and answer session with an audience of more than 100 people aired concerns that a local quality emergency service be retained at DCH not moved to east Dorset, the need for carers to get support, and demands for greater support for dementia.

This meeting was the fourth in a series of nine across Dorset before the end of February.

# Brewer's Quay defiant and open for business



■ OPEN for business: Mike Ellery and Paul Cartledge at Brewers Quay Emporium

DEFIANT traders say it is "business as usual" at Brewer's Quay, Weymouth, which is facing a multi-million pound redevelopment scheme.

They angrily point out that no work will start on the regeneration until at least late 2016, and that they plan to enjoy at least two hectic summer seasons before they look for a new trading site.

Brewers Quay Emporium co-director Paul Cartledge said: "We have more than 70 traders here now and we will still have more than 70 traders nearly two years ahead, yet to hear the fuss being made about the redevelopment you would think work was going to start tomorrow."

"That is not the case. Brewers Quay Investments must first get planning permission for their scheme, then get detailed elements approved and team up with a developer."

"That will take time and millions of pounds worth of investment, which isn't going to happen overnight."

"But traders hearing announcements of this work fear people will believe it is imminent instead of two years ahead, and they further fear that trade will be hit for what time they do have left."

Co-director Mike Ellery said: "These redevelopment announcements can be directly linked to sudden drop-offs here both in trade and traders."

"BQI redevelopment statements in August and December 2014 saw nearly a dozen traders leave here and there was roughly a 20 percent drop in trade."

"People slowly realised that work here was not going to start there and then, and we have had new traders come here to start businesses."

"We need more for the next two years and we have to actively get the message across that the building is not being shut down next Tuesday."

"There are still two highly profitable summer seasons to come and we want to make the most of them."

Both men said they were aware of BQI's plans for the site when they started their emporium in March 2013, but they had no idea that the plans would be presented so strongly nor that it would have such a detrimental effect on existing businesses.

Mr Cartledge said: "As far as we are concerned we wish BQI every success with their venture provided they do not damage our venture."

"Everyone knows that plans must be advertised and debated but the timescale involved – nearly two years – should be made very clear as well."

Mr Ellery said: "It is business as usual for us for a good time to come yet, and traders and customers need to be aware of that."

## Broadchurch good for local business

THE return of ITV's award winning drama Broadchurch has put Dorset back in the media spotlight.

With West Bay taking centre stage once more and the promise of seeing more of the wider Dorset area, the Visit Dorset tourism partnership is making the most of this opportunity to promote the Broadchurch locations to the millions of fans of the series.

The visit-dorset.com website saw a significant spike in traffic of 148% following the first episode with many people searching for information on where the series was filmed.

As well as a dedicated Broadchurch page on the website, the tourism team has worked with Dorset Coastal Cottages, to offer this prize and encourage people

to visit Dorset. Over 3000 people entered the competition within the first three days, and it received 43,000 'hits' on Facebook.

Nick Thornley, on behalf of the Visit Dorset tourism partnership, said: "Broadchurch represents a unique opportunity for Dorset's Jurassic coastline to gain national and international attention and, once again, the series is generating a large amount of interest in the area."

This publicity is ensuring Visit Dorset's web visitors, social media fans and followers keep on growing.

The Visit Dorset tourism partnership is made up of the district and borough councils from West Dorset, Christchurch, Purbeck, East Dorset and Weymouth & Portland.

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"You can see from that just how big and how important such savings are to us as cutbacks."

Mr Vaughan urged everyone to come to the meetings and have their say on how they think savings could be made at the next budget meetings of Weymouth & Portland's management commit on February 3rd, and at full council on February 26th.

He added that those meetings will be considering and debating a "modest" council tax increase of nearly two percent along with a raft of other budget measures.



## Clean-up Kimmeridge

VOLUNTEERS are needed for a winter beach clean at Kimmeridge bay this Saturday, January 24th from 2.00pm until 3.30pm.

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## Robin Page's CRT seeks farm in Dorset



■ ROBIN Page, chairman of the CRT, launching the Dorset farm appeal

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ON THURSDAY, January 8th, the Countryside Restoration Trust (CRT) launched its Gordon Beningfield Dorset farm appeal.

The CRT is a farming and conservation charity which aims to protect and restore Britain's countryside with wildlife-friendly and commercially viable agriculture. It was started by Robin Page, Gordon Beningfield, Sir Laurens van der Post and friends 21 years ago.

It was the wish of the late Gordon Beningfield that the CRT should have a wildlife friendly farm in Dorset. Gordon was an outstanding artist, conservationist and countryman. Now the CRT wishes to turn Gordon's dream into a reality by searching for a farm in Dorset and needs to raise at least £1 million over the next two years.

Over 100 people gathered to hear Robin Page, chairman of the CRT, at the museum in Dorchester officially launch an appeal to raise the money to buy a farm locally.

Robin discussed the history of the trust, his close friend Gordon Beningfield and the plans for the future. The CRT has to identify a suitable farm before fundraising can start in earnest; Robin was encouraging people to help with this too.

Betty Beningfield, Gordon's widow, attended as a patron of the appeal. Also attending the event were 'Friends' and supporters of the CRT and other invited guests.

Robin Page told the *View from* after the meeting: "I was delighted so many people turned out to hear what we have planned for Dorset. Everyone in the room seemed pleased to hear our news and were offering to help our search for a farm."

If you would like get involved, please visit [www.CountrysideRestoaroationTrust.com](http://www.CountrysideRestoaroationTrust.com), write to The CRT, Birds' Farm, Haslingfield Road, Barton, Cambridge, CB23 7AG or call 01223 262999 if you have any questions.

## Is yours Dorset's best village?

ENTRY forms are now available for Dorset's Best Village competition, now in its 29th year. The contest aims to encourage all that is positive about village life.

Judges will be taking to the road in the spring to look at large and small villages and work out which village might have the best shop, environmental project and people's project.

Entries can be made through the parish council, village hall committee or other community group.

Information on entering can be downloaded from [www.dorsetcommunityaction.org.uk](http://www.dorsetcommunityaction.org.uk) or by calling DCA on 01305 216407.

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# Act to protect funding for rural community councils

DORSET Community Action is calling for support to a campaign to protect government funding to organisations which support rural communities.

Alex Picot is calling on the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs not to withdraw funding for the ACRE Network of rural community councils (RCCs).

"The network, of which Dorset Community Action is a member, is the only nationwide organisation with a dedicated rural community focus, strengthening local communities, enterprises, and supporting the most vulnerable in our society, with an unrivalled reach into 52,000 grassroots organisations.

"It is also the sole organisation that provides advice to the 80,000 volunteers who keep England's 10,000 village halls alive," he said.

Mr Picot says these include supporting village post offices and pubs. He cites the example of DCA working with Mosterton parish council and members of the local community to reinstate the post office service which the village recently lost.

Other current projects include 'Keep Warm, Save Money' events across Dorset focusing on the needs of people in fuel poverty, and support for local transport including Bus 2 Go which takes excluded people and families on day trips.

The chief executive is asking people to show their support for Dorset Community Action by signing the ACRE Network online petition at <http://epetitions.direct.gov.uk/petitions/73418>

He also suggested writing to the Rt Hon Elizabeth Truss MP, Secretary of State for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs, Nobel House, 17 Smith Square, London, SW1P 3JR or emailing her at [defra.helpline@defra.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:defra.helpline@defra.gsi.gov.uk) to ask her not to withdraw funding from the ACRE Network.

"If you are able to give examples of how Dorset Community Action has made a difference to you, your community or organisation, this would be very helpful," said Mr Picot.



■ Dorset Community Action chief executive Alex Picot

## Treasury secretary to give address

EXCHEQUER Secretary to the Treasury, Priti Patel MP, is to give a business address at Weymouth College's Bay Theatre on Thursday, January 29th.

Priti Patel regularly speaks in debates in the House of Commons, often on her main subjects of interest which include trade, business, the economy and law and order.

This address will give Dorset businesses an overview of the national economy and the direct effect on the South West economy.

Prior to becoming a Minister, Priti served on the 1922 Committee's Executive. In October 2013 she was appointed by the Prime Minister to

sit on the Conservative Party Policy Board and in November 2013 he appointed her as the first ever UK Indian Diaspora Champion.

She has also previously served as Chair of the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Small Shops, Co-Chair of the APPG for Victims and Witnesses of Crime and Vice-Chair of the Indo-British APPG. She is particularly interested in ensuring that British businesses flourish.

The business address, which is free to attend, will start at 11.00am. Registration is essential on [www.wpcchamber.co.uk/minister-to-the-treasury-at-weymouth-college/](http://www.wpcchamber.co.uk/minister-to-the-treasury-at-weymouth-college/).

# Richard Drax to speak for Marine 'A' in parliament

RICHARD Drax, MP for South Dorset and Oliver Colville, MP for Plymouth Sutton and Devonport, met the wife of convicted Royal Marine Alexander Blackman in the House of Commons on Tuesday.

Mrs Claire Warner-Blackman was accompanied by her father, James Warner, at the meeting to discuss the case of her husband, formerly a Royal Marines sergeant, currently incarcerated for life for the murder of a wounded Afghan insurgent.

The highly decorated Marine had completed multiple tours in Afghanistan, Iraq and Northern Ireland before the incident in Helmand Province in 2011. For the 15 years prior to the shooting his service record was held to be exemplary.

The verdict of the court martial caused an outcry. After the judgement, three senior judges reduced the minimum term to be

served by Sergeant Blackman from ten to eight years because, they said, the particular stresses affecting him should have been "accorded greater weight as a mitigating factor."

An e-petition calling for the murder conviction to be quashed has now reached 107,000 signatures demanding his release.

Mr Drax had previously visited Alexander Blackman in prison before Christmas and, after the meeting, wrote that he had 'areas of concern' about the case.

Mrs Warner-Blackman said, "I would like to thank Oliver Colville and Richard Drax for the most useful exploratory meeting."

"Having discussed the case at length, we all agreed that I should take further legal advice as soon as possible, which I intend to do in order to ensure the best possible outcome for my husband."

Richard Drax said, "I entirely concur with



■ ROYAL Marine Alexander Blackman

Claire's conclusion and as a layman, I too do not wish to damage Alexander Blackman's legal opportunities."

A three-hour debate in parliament on January 26th has been called by Oliver Colville.

"The meeting today will enable Mrs Warner-Blackman and her representatives to ensure that we are well informed as we can possibly be in advance of that debate," says Drax.

"I would certainly like to air my concerns and I am sure that there are others who would wish to do likewise."



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# Children design logos for Friends of Castle Cove

FRIENDS of Castle Cove in Weymouth organised a competition in December for children and young people to design a logo to be used in all the Friends' publicity.

Nearly 200 entries flooded in from pupils at Holy Trinity and Wyke Primary Schools and Budmouth and All Saints Secondary schools. The winner was Jordan, aged 10, from Holy Trinity.

The judges, local artists Pat March and Olivia

Nurrish, took almost five hours to display the logos and choose the winner.

Pat said: "It was very difficult to pick a winner because all the entries were fantastic, but we went for Jordan's design eventually because it really has the feel of a logo."

FCC committee member Clare Sutton, who organised the competition, said: "All the children who entered should be incredibly proud of them-

selves. There were so many potential winners and we hope having this eye-catching new logo will boost to our campaign to regain decent access to our beautiful beach".

Clare announced the winner at an assembly at Holy Trinity. There were small prizes for all the children who entered and a sketching set for budding artist Jordan.

Clare added, "It was great fun returning to Holy Trinity as I attended the school nearly 40 years ago and took my children to nursery and then school there from 2004 to 2014. Almost all the children at the assembly, around 300 of them, had used the beach. It's a fantastic school and I'd like to say a huge thank you to Assistant Head Matt Ryan for helping organise this."

The Friends hope to organise a display of all the logo entries at the library later in the year, but if family or friends would like a copy of the competition entries they can contact Clare on [clare.sutton@zen.co.uk](mailto:clare.sutton@zen.co.uk).

For more information about the Friends' group and their campaign, or to become a member, visit their Facebook page or email [steveelsworth@me.com](mailto:steveelsworth@me.com).



## News in brief...

■ **CINEWORLD**, Weymouth, is showing a live broadcast of the National Theatre's production of *Treasure Island* on Thursday, January 22nd.

This family-friendly production of Robert Louis Stevenson's classic story from the National Theatre's Olivier stage begins at 7.00pm.

■ **LIBRARY TALKS**: Friends of Weymouth library (FOWL) is inviting people to join them for two talks in the library at Great George Street at 10.30 am.

*Shoot Kaiser!* is a talk by Brian Bates on Friday, February 20th on the World War I German prisoner-of-war camp in Dorchester. His audience will find out why the prisoners called out these two words.

On Friday, March 20th, people can get on the highway with Rob Curtis through his talk on *Turnpikes and Coaching Days*. Each talk costs £2.50 for non members and all are welcome. Reserve a place by calling in to the library desk or call (01305) 832613 or (01305) 750557 for details.

## Council acted in 'slapdash, shoddy' way over Castle Cove beach closure

TWO councils have been accused of "slapdash" and "shoddy" behaviour over the closure notice affecting Castle Cove beach in Weymouth.

The popular leisure spot is at the centre of an access row after it was shut in spring 2013 over safety fears linked to a landslip.

But Friends of Castle Cove chairman, Steve Elsworth, said his freedom of information request to Dorset county council uncovered "astounding new information" that the beach was

closed by "three council officers in the absence of any external scientific assessment at an informal meeting at which no minutes were taken".

Mr Elsworth said this news was released to the Friends by DCC information manager Richard Kirby who wrote: "...the decision made in 2013 was made verbally by two officers from this authority and one officer from Weymouth & Portland borough council based on their visual inspection on that day.

"No formal written record was made of that decision.

"You are also expecting there to be other specialist reports that simply do not exist as, until now, no other specialists have been asked to undertake inspections of this site by this authority."

Mr Elsworth said: "This is an astonishing way to deal with a much-loved community asset.

"In the past, when footpaths were closed, the process involved scientific reports, for-

mal meetings, agendas and minutes decisions.

"In the case of Castle Cove in 2013, it looks as if three officers went for a stroll and decided to close the beach.

"They didn't even take minutes of their decision.

"There was no risk assessment, no record of alternatives, no consideration of the impact of the decision and, although the closure order of March 2013 said the footpath was closed 'for health and safety reasons', no health and safety assessment was carried out.

"The closure notice reported that the path was closed 'due to damage to the footpath... which has blocked the footpath and rendered the footpath unstable'.

"The footpath has never been 'blocked' and has always been passable.

"This is an incredibly slapdash way to deal with a beach that has been in public use for 100 years and has been guaranteed public access by parliamentary legislation. This is shoddy behaviour."

A spokesperson from the council later denied the claims and said its rights of way officers acted in a professional manner because of concern about the landslip, adding that part of the right of way was currently being looked at to see if it could be safely reopened.

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# Benefits system failing disabled claims CAB

By Jack Dixon

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A CATALOGUE of failings in the benefits system is leaving sick and disabled people facing an uphill struggle to get support from the state, according to the Citizens' Advice Bureau's latest report.

Claimants across Dorset are experiencing "considerable difficulties" which exacerbate already stressful situations for vulnerable people.

The Dorset Citizens' Advice Social Policy Group used research taken from eight individual bureaux areas, including Dorchester and Weymouth, highlighting a total of 149 problem cases, ranging from poor administration and delays to incorrect advice.

The 'Not a Good Time to be Disabled?' report concluded that some staff "do not appear to know the regulations properly" and "give incorrect advice or are

very off-putting to claimants because of their manner."

Inefficiencies in claiming or renewing welfare benefits is also impeding the progress made by people recovering from mental health problems, the report says.

"The impact on claimants is illustrated in the examples given in the report, but it is worth stressing that the delays and general inefficiency of the way that claims are dealt with only exacerbate often extremely stressful situations," it says.

"In addition to the distress caused, there is the very practical problem that claimants often suffer financial hardship because of the problems they experience with getting their benefits."

Issues of poor practice included:

- failing to keep accurate records or give appropriate support to a blind claimant, and
- giving out incorrect information to a claimant

about medical details required for an Employment Support Allowance application.

Disabled people's charity Access Dorset described the report's findings as a "damning indictment" of the current benefits system and its implementation in rural areas.

The user-led charity, made up of around 600 members, strives to include disabled and elderly people in all aspects of life.

But development manager Dave Thompson said the report identified recurrent problems that are all too familiar for the charity's members.

He told the View From: "The research paper produced by Dorset Citizens' Advice Social Policy group provides a damning indictment of the present state of the benefits system and the consequences of its poor delivery in rural Dorset.

"The examples of long delays, poor customer

service and unreasonable sanctions tally with the alarming number of calls that DIAL Access Dorset, our information and advice service receives from disabled people and people with long-term health conditions who are, far too often, trying to deal with changes in their circumstances, with little sympathy or support from those supposedly employed to ensure the welfare of vulnerable adults."

The report also listed a series of specific problems with services that were "unacceptable" across the eight Dorset bureau areas, including complicated and misleading forms, incomprehensible letters, poor communication skills of telephone advisers, difficulty making contact

with benefits staff by phone and the requirement to make applications online.

According to the report, the Department for Work and Pensions should take action to address the problems, by listening to health and social care professionals, investing in better training and ensuring penalties are imposed when standards slip.

## 'Alf' goes for another award

A CHAMPION community fish and chip shop in Weymouth is in the running for another

national award.

Alf's Fish and Chips on Lynch Road has entered the 2015 Choice

Chip Awards and owners, John and Karen Pearce, are hoping customers will rally round and support them.

John said: "We have been in this competition before and we are the reigning south west champions. This year we are trying to win it."

Anyone who would like to support Alf's, which is famous for its local charity fundraising, can do so at [www.chips.lovepotatoes.co.uk](http://www.chips.lovepotatoes.co.uk).



John Pearce enjoys a choice Alf's chip

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# College students discover what mayors and councillors do



■ FROM left: Cllr Paul Kimber, Cllr Pamela Nixon, David Turner, Weymouth College students, Weymouth & Portland mayor Cllr Kate Wheller

WEYMOUTH college students have been given an insight into the life of a mayor and borough councillors.

Weymouth & Portland mayor, Councillor Kate Wheller, alongside Councillor Paul Kimber and Councillor Pamela Nixon, spoke to students about the role they provide within the local community. They also learned, from Nigel Le Sueur, serjeant

at arms for the council on the role and history of the maces and robes.

Mrs Wheller said: "It is always nice to have the opportunity to meet younger residents and I was encouraged to see how interested the students were about the work of the council and councillors.

"I am always pleased to meet groups from schools and clubs".



## Happy wassailers hope for good harvest

MORE than 50 people attended the revival of a centuries-old tradition in Weymouth when a wassail was held at the new Preston community orchard.

The ancient belief is that drinking mulled cider and wine, dancing and singing will encourage good crops in the coming year.

The wassail was organised by Transition Towns Weymouth & Portland (TTWP) near the fruit trees planted recently by John Tomblin at the Telford Close

recreation ground.

TTWP spokesman Maggie Tidball said: "We wanted to connect with the community through the orchard and a wassail seemed like a very good idea.

"We are also hoping to hold future events here with the community."

Singing was introduced by women's singing group 'Bagatelle' before 'Island Voices' from Portland and 'Sea Sound Singers' from Weymouth led the

community singing.

Singing lead Su Lewis said: "The wassail is not common around here and this event helped re-establish it in Weymouth. We are also planning more wassails.

"The orchard wassail is for a very specific time in January to encourage apple trees to blossom and bear so that we get a good crop for cider making."

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# Help for bi-polar sufferers

DORSET Wellbeing and Recovery Partnership, a collaboration between Dorset HealthCare and Dorset Mental Health Forum, is hosting a course for people in Weymouth living with bipolar disorder.

The course starts on Friday, January 23rd and runs from 1.30pm to 4.00pm at Weymouth library.

The 12 week course will run every Friday afternoon until April 24th and is open to anyone with a diagnosis of bipolar disorder (manic depression) who is currently receiving, or has received support, from Dorset HealthCare.

A wide range of issues will be discussed including the management of stress, the importance of routines, mood cycles, medication and the im-

pact of bipolar on the individual and others.

Course facilitator David O'Loughlin from Dorset HealthCare said: "The course aims to support people by helping them develop the skills to understand their own experiences and create an individual 'staying well' plan.

"Those who have attended past courses say they benefit from the support they get from meeting other people with similar problems and, from the awareness and understanding they gain, they have improved their relationships and confidence."

For more details of the course or to apply please contact David O'Loughlin on (01202) 399506 or email bpadmin@dhuft.nhs.uk.



■ Rear Admiral Nigel Guild hands the report to Richard Drax MP, watched by Ian Girling of the DCCI, Atlas graduate research engineer James Westlake and local students

## Portland market's back

PORTLAND Country Market, which takes place every Friday from 9.00am to 11.30am in the Community 2000 hall at Easton, is open again after its Christmas and new year break.

A spokesman said: "We would like to wish all our customers a happy new year and look forward

to seeing you in the market for your home made cakes, pies and quiches.

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plant and craft tables offering hand knitted and sewn goods, cards, and beaded jewellery and gifts."



■ FRESH produce at Portland country market

## Engineering needs more apprentices and graduates

ENGINEERING apprentice and graduate numbers entering the industry will need to double by 2022 to meet projected employer demand.

If it doesn't then the extra £27 million it could generate for the UK economy – the equivalent of building 1,800 schools or 110 hospitals – will be lost.

That was the message according to new research outlined at an Atlas Elektronik UK launch event in Winfrith Newburgh which saw some 30 people come together from local schools, engineering businesses, UKTI, south Dorset MP Richard Drax and Dorset chamber of commerce and industry chief executive Ian Girling.

The research revealed that engineering companies will need 182,000 people per year with engineering skills in the decade to 2022 yet there is a current annual shortfall of 55,000 skilled workers.

Atlas chairman Rear Admiral Nigel Guild said: "We are right behind this report and are delighted to lead the launch of it for the south west region.

"As a medium sized company committed to research, development and production we are aware of the need to recruit good quality engineers.

"We have excellent links to local schools and colleges through our STEM involvement and are committed to our

new graduates, nurturing and mentoring them through the early part of their careers.

"Engineering is a vital part of the UK economy, not just in terms of significant turnover but also with regards employment. For every new engineering role an additional two jobs are created in the economy."

Mr Drax said: "Dorset based engineering companies are vital and important to the Dorset economy and offer sustainable employment and bring profits into the region. I am delighted to see Atlas's support and commitment to employing and mentoring their graduates."

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# Weymouth Matters

A personal View by HARRY WALTON

## Council gets it right!

IT seems that the council feels the electric vehicle revolution is not for them at the moment.

You see, the authority has been sparking the idea of switching its fleet of cars to electric vehicles so it can make full use of solar power facilities at its Crookhill depot.

Councillors have now decided not to stick their fingers in the socket as it were because they fear it is "a bit of a shaky proposition to be first".

They are worried that it might just be a 'Save the Planet' gimmick, that taking the plunge should only come when there is wider support for electric vehicles from the public and transport operators and that "the business case and timing is not right".

This isn't a case of dozens of future council vehicles driving through the borough trailing hundreds of miles of electric cable behind them. The principle is quite simple. You have an electric car, various charging points, and off you go on your journey.

The problem comes when the driver needs to put another ten pence in the meter... and that might happen an awful lot.

Clean energy is one thing but a report to council shows that such cars might have to be recharged after just 120 miles and that such recharging could take up to eight hours.

Just two or three trips across the Weymouth and Portland area can easily rack up 50-60 miles while a loop from the town centre to Easton on Portland, back to Chickerell and out to areas such as Littlemoor and Preston can be more than 25 miles on a single trip.

It means such cars being considered by the council might need a lengthy recharge after just part of a morning out and about making calls.

I'm a big fan of solar power but, in this instance and at this time and at current technology levels, I think the council has probably got it right.

## Why are all the flowers here?

IF you can believe the experts then at this time of year there should be 20-30 species of plant in flower, but in 2015 they've recorded a staggering 368 in bloom.

That represents more than one in seven of all the flowering plants in this country and includes the likes of gorse which shouldn't flower until April or May. I've got five plants in flower in my garden right now.

It lends weight that, even in mild areas such as ours, the effects of climate change are becoming more and more apparent.

The Met Office said 2014 was the warmest year on record. We're having our fourth mild winter in a row and there just haven't been the frosts to kill early flowers off.

The most common bloomers have been daisies and dandelions and climate experts are saying that human influence could contribute to temperature records being smashed, but there is a down side.

Dorset is famous for its carpets of spring flowers, but if we get very cold weather in February then plants in unseasonal flower might be badly hit.

Enjoy the winter splashes of colour everywhere but be prepared for a floral graveyard if winter hits back.

## Widgets, grommets and doobries

IF you have widget A (i) and screw B in front of you, why can't they be fitted into hole C as it says in the instructions?

The answer, of course, is that some of the chest of drawer parts you are trying to assemble seem to have found their way into the box from a train wreck.

I raise the horrors of flatpack furniture construction only because so many people have raised it with me recently as they battle to put together special Christmas purchases or that now thrice damned bargain you bought from the January sales.

To be quite honest, I don't know what all the fuss is about. Instructions such as "Place the back '10' into the rabbit of the top '1' and the side '3' and '4'. See fig. 11.1" couldn't be clearer, could they?

The fact is that all flatpack manufacturers must produce a set of assembly instructions capable of being easily understood by three ordinary people. They've just chosen Einstein, Turing and Hornby (he invented meccano) as their three ordinary people.

The rest of us have to play catch-up.

Experience has shown that the easiest way to tackle assembly is to clear a room, lay all the pieces out on the floor first and consult the check list to work out which bits are missing.

A few insulting phone calls and it shouldn't be more than six weeks before the missing parts are posted to you.

Next take an extremely close look at the screws. These are wilful fittings which often require not just different types of screwdriver but different sizes as well and you will always reach a critical assembly point to discover that the right screwdriver is still in a box inside the shed at the bottom of the garden.

Eventually, all challenges overcome, you can stand back and look at your completed piece of furniture... a mutant nightmare which belongs in the Tate Modern or one of the scenes from Transformers which was left on the cutting room floor to avoid upsetting children.

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# Auto business expands to Link Park



■ JAMES and Natalie Knight outside their new premises

JR auto business has everything to celebrate in 2015 after relocating its business from the centre of Weymouth to Link Park at the end of 2014.

It was a significant move for the business, and investment in new equipment and new, purpose built premises means the future is looking bright for JR Autotechnics.

James Knight started his business in May 2005 following a successful career with a Weymouth-based engineering company which specialised in producing high specification components for high performing racing cars.

Initially James set up JR Autotechnics as a mobile business but within two years he was searching for premises for an ever expanding clientele.

In 2008 JR Autotechnics opened in Crescent Street in the heart of Weymouth where it remained until 2010 when the business expanded into neighbouring premises. Again the business outgrew the available space and the time came to research bespoke business premises.

James said: "As the business was now dealing with higher end vehicles and professional customers it was time to make the move and create

the right impression for the business.

"Our new premises include recesses for two in-floor ramps ensuring that even the lowest of lowered vehicles can be accommodated on the Four Wheel Alignment machine and also the correct ceiling height allowing us to install a large two post ramp so we can now accommodate commercial vehicles and motorhomes."

The business now employs three people and works on approximately 15-25 cars per day, carrying out anything from a simple bulb replacement to a full engine rebuild in a controlled environment. Ninety percent of their business is from repeat customers.

Mr Jones, of DJ Property who helped them find the premises, said: "JR Autotechnics is a prime example of a rapidly expanding family business in this area. Hard work, dedication and a continuous desire to exceed expectations is what you can expect to receive from James and Natalie Knight."

"It has been great to watch their business grow and I welcome the challenge of providing them with bigger and better business space in the future."

## Remember to test your smoke alarms

Dorset Fire and Rescue Service are asking people to make sure that their smoke alarms are up to date, in the right place and that they test them every week. It only takes a few seconds and is proven to save lives.

A smoke alarm can give someone the few extra seconds they need to escape in a fire. While the majority of homes across the country now have an alarm fitted, most people are not aware that the average alarm has a lifespan of just ten years and then needs replacing.

For people a single smoke alarm is simply not enough. Last year, in nearly half of all fires in the home where the smoke alarm did not sound, the reason was that the alarm was not close enough to detect the fire. Missing or flat batteries were another major cause.

To keep your alarms in working order:

- make sure there is at least one smoke alarm on every level of your home;
- test your smoke alarms by pushing the button every week;
- check that your smoke alarms are less than 10 years old;
- fit smoke alarms on landings and hallways and near bedrooms. Also consider rooms which have an electrical appliance such as a heater, tumble drier or other risk;
- take a moment to check on your loved ones who may need help to ensure they're fully protected.

Kate Underhill, Prevention Manager at DFRS said: "A smoke alarm can offer vital protection for you and your loved ones, but most people simply fit and forget – they don't know if it might be coming to the end of its lifespan or not working at all."

# Hand over your white goods to help others

WEYMOUTH-based household items re-use scheme, Twice as Nice, is appealing to local people to hand over any unwanted white goods so it can help families in crisis living in the area.

The company, part of housing association Synergy Housing, is looking for items such as fridges, freezers, cookers, washing machines, tumble dryers and microwaves, which it can make available at its store at Albany Road on the Granby Industrial Estate.

Laura Kavanagh, Twice as Nice project manager, said: "We work with a number of partner agencies who assist people in really difficult circumstances. Often they don't have items like washing machines, fridges or electric cookers.

"We're in urgent need of any items of white goods that people no longer need. We can take anything

apart from gas cookers and collect any items in the Weymouth and Portland area free of charge. All they'll need to do is agree that the items they're donating are going to be re-used.

"We only ask that you give any items you want to donate a clean first. They don't even have to be in perfect working order – we have a white goods technician who can carry out any repairs and refurbish items in our workshop if necessary."

The Twice as Nice store in Weymouth is open, Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 4.00pm. The store is open to all and people on low incomes can purchase items at a reduced rate.

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# Digital growth hub launched to support Dorset businesses

BUSINESSES in Dorset are being urged to become more switched on to realise their digital potential.

The Dorset growth hub has launched a Digital Growth campaign to help companies embrace the power of technology to boost their competitiveness in the local, national and global marketplaces.

It is holding an event in Weymouth on March 3rd at the Pavilion from 9.00am to 1.00pm as well as drop-in sessions in Dorchester at the Dorford Centre on Thursday, February 5th, and at Bridport Town Hall on Friday, February 27th, from 9.30am to 12.30pm.

There will also be an interactive conference in Bournemouth and an event in Ferndown as well as more drop-in days in Christchurch, Swanage, Shaftesbury and Blandford.

Digital health checks and grant vouchers will also be available in the free programme of events and activities. It is being delivered in partnership with the Dorset growth hub and the Dorset Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Tony Latham, who is a Dorset growth hub advisor, said: "The digital world moves at a rapid pace.

"With thousands of potential customers online every day, it has never been more important for businesses to make sure they are up to speed.

"Digital Growth will offer valuable insights into how digital technologies are shaping the business world today and how they can be harnessed to

help businesses become more competitive in a fast changing market-place."

The interactive conference 'E-marketing and Technology Megatrends: 2015 and Beyond' is being held in partnership with Dorset Superfast Business.

The event will give an insight into new ideas to help companies become more competitive and win more business.

There will be keynote speakers with updates on the latest thinking and technology, discussions with the chance to ask questions on such subjects as social media, web design and digital marketing.

A series of drop-in days are also being held with the chance to have a digital health check, and apply for grant vouchers for improvements to IT systems or digital marketing activities.

The digital health check includes a complete review of IT systems, including hardware, software for finance, marketing and communications.

It also covers digital marketing, websites and social media. Eligible companies can apply for a grant voucher of up to £500 for improvements. Businesses can simply turn up to the drop-in sessions or book a half hour time slot if they prefer.

The drop-in sessions are being held in:

\* Swanage, Tuesday, January 20th at the council offices,



■ **GROWTH hub advisor Tony Latham**

\* Christchurch, Tuesday, January 27th at the library,

\* Dorchester, Thursday, February 5th at the Dorford Centre,

\* Shaftesbury, Wednesday, February 11th at the Shaftesbury Task Force,

\* Blandford, Tuesday, February 17th at the town centre parish centre, and

\* Bridport, Friday, February 27th at the town hall.

All these sessions are from 9.30am to 12.30pm except for the Christchurch event which is from

1.00pm to 4.00pm.

Tony added: "Whether you are taking your first steps online or are more advanced, these events will arm you with the knowledge and ideas to help drive your business forward in 2015."

For the Weymouth and Ferndown events, visit [www.dorsetgrowthhub.co.uk/growing-your-business](http://www.dorsetgrowthhub.co.uk/growing-your-business).

People can also call Tony Latham on 08454 586 480 to book a place at any of the events.

# Pothole hotline direct to council



DORSET county council is encouraging residents to report potholes and other road defects directly to the council via its website.

Cllr Peter Finney, the county council's cabinet member for environment and economy, said: "By reporting damaged roads to us directly we can start the process of scheduling their repair without delay.

"Local residents can input details on the website or call in. This information goes straight into our system and we can start prioritising the work."

Last year the county council repaired 12,000 potholes. Each pothole is ranked for repair. This ranking is based on the level of risk to road users - its location, size, depth and the sort of road on which it occurs. Repairs are scheduled between 32 hours, for the highest risk, and 28 days for minor risk. The majority of all potholes are repaired within 28 days.

The county council has received an extra £9m to help repair storm-ravaged roads from last winter. This money was used to resurface damaged roads and complete a grip and ditch clearing programme to help prevent future flooding.

To report a range of Dorset road issues including potholes, overgrown hedges, broken street lights, blocked drains visit [www.dorsetforyou.com/reportroadproblems](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/reportroadproblems) or call 01305 221020.

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Colourfence is manufactured in Gloucestershire with all surveys and installations handled by a network of locally owned franchises. But, until the Stewarts became involved with the brand, nobody covered the South West – something that surprised Andy when he first came across the company.

"I was amazed Colourfence wasn't promoted in this area already, as there is clearly so much demand," he says. "We would certainly buy it ourselves; we have a garden and have spent too many afternoons with a paintbrush in hand. We've also spoken to friends and family who've recently had to repair or replace storm-damaged panels.

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"Andy and I built and sold a franchise with a well-known home-improvement company, and we had a great reputation with the public," she says. "We always put a lot of emphasis on customer service, and were pleased to find Colourfence upholds those same standards."

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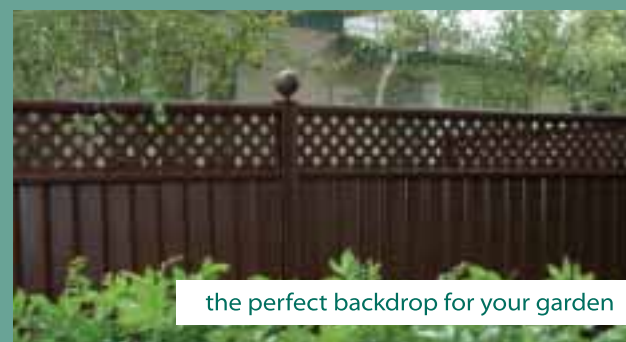
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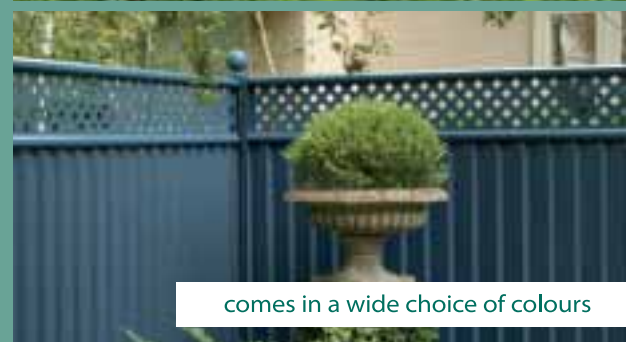
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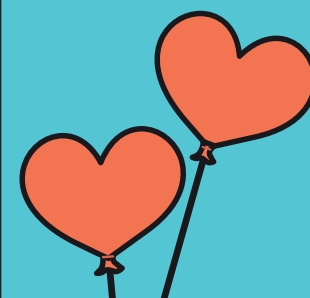
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# Tenth anniversary of disaster that kickstarted charity

ON BOXING Day 2004, an earthquake measuring 9.1 to 9.3 on the Richter Scale (the third most powerful recorded) took place in the Indian ocean off the coast of the island of Sumatra, Indonesia.

It generated a series of devastating tsunamis that travelled at speeds of 500 miles an hour and created tidal waves up to 100 feet high that struck the coastal areas of 14 countries.

It was one of the deadliest natural disasters in recorded history and killed 230,000 people – Indonesia was the hardest hit followed by Sri Lanka, India, and Thailand.

Millions more were displaced and the number who died from drinking unsafe water is unknown.

In the following days the Rotary Club of Chelwood Bridge, co-ordinating humanitarian aid response in the form of 'Aquaboxes', appealed for support.

The local appeal provided sufficient funding and donations in kind for 1,940 boxes and a further 1,260 boxes were provided by other Rotary Clubs in the district. Their aid went to Sri Lanka, India and Indonesia.

A review of 'Operation

Aquabox' resulted in a series of improvements aimed at streamlining the process and led to the establishment of the Rotary's Water Survival Box charity in the summer of 2006.

The project continues to be managed by senior members of the Rotary Club of Chelwood Bridge and the £1.3 million donated so far has been used to respond to 39 disasters in some 25 different countries during the past

nine years. In order that the charity can continue to respond at the same level to future disasters they need sustained funding in the order of £150,000 to £200,000 each year.

The standard box containing a water-purification kit and other essential survival items costs £150. This covers the cost of the box, contents, and air freight to the disaster area.

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water purification kit can supply 18,000 litres of clean water which is the equivalent of ten litres per person for a family of five each day for a year.

Aid has been sent to 39 disaster zones between 2006 and 2014 in 25 different countries, with 9,300 water-survival boxes distributed, including:

■ 2006 – Philippines - typhoon;  
■ 2007 – Bangladesh

- cyclone;  
■ 2008 – Zimbabwe - cholera;  
■ 2009 – Taiwan - typhoon, Indonesia - earthquake;  
■ 2010 – Haiti - earthquake, Chile - earthquake;  
■ 2011 – Japan - tsunami, Pakistan - floods;  
■ 2012 – Horn of Africa - drought;  
■ 2013 – Mozambique - floods; Philippines - super typhoon Haiyan;  
■ 2014 – Bolivia - floods;

Chile – earthquake & Valparaiso great fire;  
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Kashmir/India - floods.

Volunteer Rotarians in Chelwood Bridge manage the project with practical help from the Rotary, Inner Wheel, school, youth and other local community groups. Every pound donated is used to pay for boxes and air freight to ensure speed of response.

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£5,000

■ FUNDRAISERS | View From's Lisa Bright, Lottie Welch and James Coles at the Bridport event



## We've nearly done it!

▼ WATER Survival Box fundraisers at the View From were invited once again to Bridport Potato Day earlier this month, where green-fingered visitors generously donated a total of £111.77 – pushing us ever closer to our target of £10,000.

We'd like to thank organiser Jude Hopkins and the other volunteers in local gardening group 'plan b' for asking us back.

The event, which took place at Bridport United Church Hall, also raised money for the Children's Liver Disease Foundation through the sale of heritage and heirloom seeds and plants.

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One of these services is the newly refurbished hair salon for ladies and gents. Local businesses **MAC Builders** and **Steve Hansford Flooring** helped with the refurbishment and the salon is now a great space to relax while having your

hair done.

The salon is wheelchair accessible and has plenty of room for people to sit and chat.

Barbara Vousden, Chairman of Trustees and Chancery House's resident hairdresser, has had over 40 years' experience. Having previously run her own salon, she is now on hand to keep styles professionally maintained.

*“We are very lucky in this area to have a facility like this, I urge people to give it a try.”*

The salon is open to regular visitors to Chancery House as well as anyone who wants to pop in. The centre is a lively environment with lots of activities on offer where you will receive a warm welcome.

There are fully trained care staff on hand who can help with things like bathing. Transport from home is available if needed.

Two course lunches with tea or coffee are on offer; made fresh on the premises with locally sourced ingredients for just £7.

Barbara said of the centre: “We are very lucky in this area to have a facility like this, I urge people

to give it a try. Our fully trained care staff are superb and I thoroughly enjoy my job”.

Chancery House is an independent self-funded charity. For more information please call 01308 424357.



▲ Barbara Vousden, Chairman of Trustees

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# Holocaust memorial day service in Weymouth

A MEMORIAL service in recognition of Holocaust Memorial Day will take place in the Princess Diana Gardens, Radipole Park Drive, Weymouth on Tuesday, January 27th.

The service will begin at 10.30am at the Holocaust memorial tree, donated by local resident Tony Hamm, which is planted near Alexandra Bridge.

The memorial service will be hosted by Weymouth & Portland Mayor, Councillor Kate Wheller, with prayers and readings being led by the Rev Tim Gomm of Portland, joined by religious faith representatives from the local community. Local councillors and Friends of the Parks will be represented and all members of the public are welcome to attend.

Holocaust Memorial Day on January 27th is the annual day of remembrance for the victims and survivors of the Holocaust and subsequent genocides in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia, Darfur and Tibet. It marks the day in 1945 when the Auschwitz-Birkenau extermination camp was liberated and the theme for this year's event is Keep the Memory Alive.

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spokesman Councillor Francis Drake said: "This service is a chance for people to come along and pay their respects to the victims of the Holocaust and other genocides."

There will also be a Holocaust Memorial Day display on show at Weymouth Library from January 26th to February 2nd.

The display has been set up by Barbara Cohen of the south west Dorset multicultural network and friends.

The group has also organised a free event on January 30th at the Corn Exchange, High West Street, Dorchester from 12.30pm to 1.30pm. There will be a range of speakers including the Police and Crime Commissioner Martyn Underhill and Harry Grenville, who came to the UK from Germany as part of the Kindertransport.

They will be speaking about the experiences of people during the Holocaust and reminding us of everyone's duty to keep the memory alive. All are welcome to attend and free refreshments will be served.

For more information about the Dorchester event please contact Emma Scott on 01305 252204 or e.scott@westdorset-weymouth.gov.uk.

For more information about Holocaust Memorial Day visit [www.hmd.org.uk](http://www.hmd.org.uk).



HOLOCAUST victims

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Forms and further information are available from [www.bhf.org.uk/dorset](http://www.bhf.org.uk/dorset) or by calling 0845 130 8663, Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm; or emailing: [events@bhf.org.uk](mailto:events@bhf.org.uk).

# New £16k website for cash-strapped police



PCC Martyn Underhill

THE Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner, Martyn Underhill, has launched a new website which, he claims, will improve public engagement.

The new site claims to offer "a comprehensive engagement section with updated news and events". It has cost around £16,000.

Mr Underhill said: "We are excited about our new website and the added information it provides for the public, partners and media to understand our work better."

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"We are proud to be an OPCC that works in collaboration with the local community and partner organisations".

Since being elected, PCC Martyn Underhill has gained national recognition for his engagement work. In April 2014, his office won the national Gold CoPaCC 2014 award for engagement. They were also commended in the CoPaCC 'PCCs and Innovation' awards in September 2014.

On average, the Dorset Commissioner's office receives 100 enquires from the public every week, with issues varying from 101-call comments to calls to officers attending incidents of vehicle crime.

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### SHADES OF ELLA

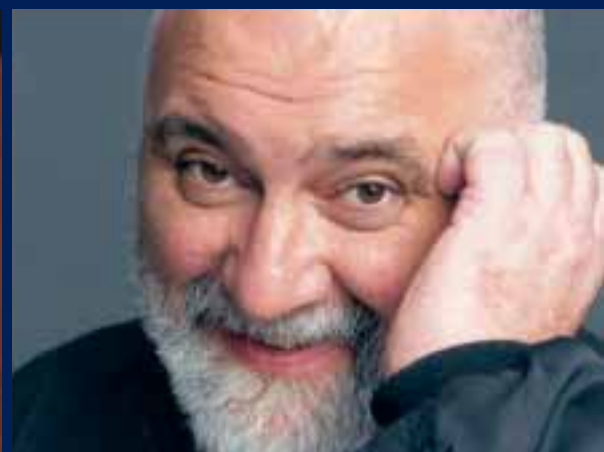
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Alexei Sayle comes to Dorchester

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*Your guide to local live music*

## upcoming gigs

**Saturday 24 Jan**  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**The Esplanades**  
9.30pm  
Nags Head, LYME REGIS  
**On The Nash**

Re-loved Vintage & Tea  
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**Amy Mayes** 4-6pm

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**Friday 30 Jan**  
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**Saturday 31 Jan**  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**Dinosaur Cafe**  
9.30pm  
Arts Centre, BRIDPORT  
**Tales from India**  
8pm. £12/£11/£10  
Nags Head, LYME REGIS  
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Re-loved Vintage & Tea  
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**Sunday 1 Feb**  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**Jamming at the**  
**Crown** 4-7pm  
Ropemakers, BRIDPORT  
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**Continental Guitar**  
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**Friday 6 Feb**  
Marine Theatre, LYME  
REGIS  
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**Canter & Philip**  
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**Saturday 7 Feb**  
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**Splinter** 9.30pm  
Bulls Head, DORCHESTER  
**John De Barra**  
Nags Head, LYME REGIS  
**Delta Tango 7**  
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Saturday 7th February  
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*Julie Dunn and Andy Christie join forces for jazz show*

## SHADES OF ELLA

BEAMINSTER Blues & Jazz will present 'Shades of Ella' at Beaminster Town Hall on Friday, February 20th.

Echoing the legendary partnership between guitarist Joe Pass, and the first lady of jazz, Ella Fitzgerald, Julie Dunn (vocals, piano, percussion) and Andy Christie (guitar) will be performing a selection of jazz standards.

The night will also feature a shot of rhythm & blues with the return of the Jim Luck Blues Band.

Admission is by ticket only, and tickets are £10, available from Yarn Barton (Monday-Friday 9.30-12.30) or from Elaine Hendrickson on 01308 861746 or [hendrickson.elaine@gmail.com](mailto:hendrickson.elaine@gmail.com)

Doors and bar open at 7.30pm on the evening, with music from 8-10pm.



Julie Dunn



# Soirée de Gala

An evening of *joie de vivre* with a dash of *je ne sais quoi!*

ANGLO-BELGIAN chanteuse Bethany Jameson brings her brand new cabaret style musical venture, *Soirée de Gala*, to the Lyric Theatre in Bridport on Friday, January 30th.

Bethany met renowned guitarist Simon Newton at a jazz jam night last year and they immediately struck music gold. In *Soirée de Gala*, they embark on a joyful programme that explores everything Anglo-French, Franco-British, français and fun. Bethany is founder of the acclaimed quartet Cabaret Verité, trio Musique A Trois, and duo with Romano Viazani. She has been writing award-winning songs and performing for 10 years including several appearances at the Lyric Theatre in Bridport, in various guises.

Musique A Trois started out with a programme of French chansons but for *Soirée de Gala* they decided to explore different musical traditions where English and French languages and passions meet. The programme includes a French version of 'Night and Day'; a Hot Club de France sung version of the exceptional jazz classic 'Take 5'; Bethany's gorgeous 'Piaf and Brel'; with new sounds from Simon Newton and Nick Dyer; then with Caro Emerald's deliciously decadent 'Liquid Lunch'; it's

down cabaret hill all the way!

The evening will also be a culmination of Bridport Twinning Association's grand raffle (tickets available on the night) where Bethany will draw the lucky winning tickets. Prizes include £100 cash, a luxury hamper, a 48 bottle wooden wine rack and a voucher for some delicious local meat.

Tickets are £12 from Bridport Arts Centre: 01308 424204 / [www.bridport-arts.com](http://www.bridport-arts.com) as well as from Box Office Coffee, or on the door at the Lyric from 7:30pm the night of the show, if available.



Bethany Jameson

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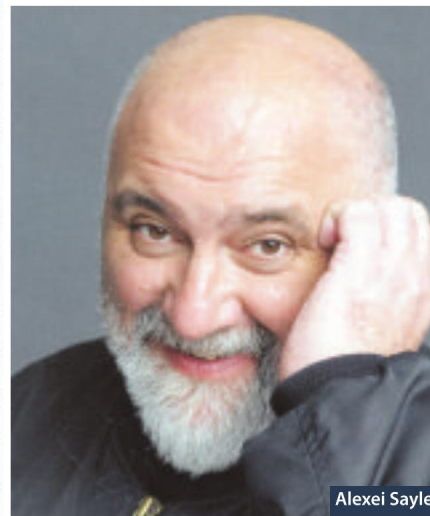
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# Are you sitting comfortably?

Alexei Sayle has something to say

TO KICK off the Dorchester Arts Spring comedy season best selling author, comedian and actor Alexei Sayle will be at the Corn Exchange on Friday, January 23rd giving a preview of the second volume of his hilarious and thought-provoking memoirs 'Thatcher Stole My Trousers', which will be released later this year.



Alexei Sayle

He will also be reading excerpts from his first volume 'Stalin Ate My Homework' along with some of his famous short stories.

Alexei Sayle, known for his political satire was a central part of the comedy circuit in the early 1980s, and is regarded by some as the godfather of alternative comedy.

Starting from small beginnings as a stand up comic, Alexei's career quickly reached popular heights with his signatory vivacious style, which led to him starring along side other comedic greats in a number of films and television appearances throughout the next 20 years.

Alexei is also notable for his literary successes and has published a number of popular novels as well as having written and starred in a number of radio shows to date.

This evening is a chance to hear in more detail about his fascinating life and will be followed by questions and answers - and in true Alexei Sayle style perhaps even some shouting.

This event is the first of a series of great comedy from Dorchester Arts, with other big name acts including Andy Parsons, Jo Caulfield and Jeremy Hardy to follow. The spring comedy season is supported by local brewers Hall & Woodhouse. Tickets for Alexei Sayle £13/£11 members & concessions. To book call Box Office 01305 266926 or visit [www.dorchesterarts.org.uk](http://www.dorchesterarts.org.uk)

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# Bridport Pantomime Players celebrate 50 years with Cinderella production

FIFTY years of pantomime. What a very different town Bridport was back in the late 50s and early 60s. There was a railway station in St. Andrew's Road, a bus station in West Bay Road and the taxi rank was in Bucky-Do Square! There were three 'departmental' shops, Elmes, Braileys and the Co-op and all three used to sell out of knicker elastic, sequins and white ankle socks during pantomime week! There was no by-pass, not a supermarket in sight, and West Bay had yet to be discovered! Petrol cost 5/- a gallon (25p) and a postage stamp 4d (old money).

At this time, Bernard Gale had started a dancing school in the town and was producing children's pantomimes in the Church House which were very successful and popular. This encouraged him to have 'grown-ups' in them as well, and so the Bridport Pantomime Players were established, and the first two shows performed in the Church House were a sell-out.

The big decision then was whether or not to move to The Palace Cinema, whether the move was affordable or too much of a risk. After much discussion, numerous jumble sales, coffee mornings and general fund raising the big step was taken and in January 1968 *Red Riding Hood* took to the stage at The Palace, and pantomimes were there every year until 1999.

But all good things come to an end and during that year The Palace unexpectedly closed its doors. Determined to carry on with pantomime, Bernard and the Players went ahead and for the next seven years the shows were staged on a much smaller stage at The Lyric and these too were very successful. Sadly Bernard died and The Lyric had to be sold, but much to everyone's relief, Peter Hitchins purchased The Palace and so the pantomimes went back there in 2007 with *Cinderella*.

Throughout all the fifty years of pantomime so many



Jess Ives and Tom Staple as the Ugly Sisters

folk have appeared on stage – from the tiny tots, children's tap and ballet, to the Players themselves. There has also been an army of those who have worked back stage, scene painting, making props, lighting, sound, costumes, make-up, call boy, prompt, orchestra, front of house – the list is endless. It would be unwise to start mentioning any names as inadvertently some would mistakenly be left out – apart from the fact that there are so many people, the list would fill up this page! Thanks must be given to the good people of Bridport and the surrounding area who have supported the Players from the beginning by coming to all the pantomimes and being such a good audience, and willingly given any assistance as and when it may have been asked for.

To celebrate their 50th, the Players are proud to present the ever favourite pantomime *Cinderella*. Magic abounds galore with help from the Fairy Godmother bewitchingly played by Amy Wheatley, and Tanya Remnant is enjoying her first pantomime role as Cinderella swept off her feet by Prince Charming elegantly played by Amy Day. Stepping out from the chorus for the first time is Alice Tuck who is a charming Dandini.

The poor down-trodden Baron Stoneybroke bravely undertaken by Teresa Grinter, is very firmly kept in his place by the Baroness, *Cinderella's* wicked, nasty stepmother played with gusto by Sue Farrant who adores her two daughters – the only person who does! The Ugly Sisters are performed in great style by Jess Ives and Tom Staple, a formidable pair! Sergeant Letsby-Avenue (Jo Aisthorpe) and PC99 (Julia Prior) try in vain to keep law and order but are outwitted by the dastardly Burglar Bill stealthily played Tracy Caden.

And last, but certainly not least, the exuberant Ziggy Gray is the ever-lovable Buttons, who cares very deeply for *Cinderella* and helps to make all her dreams come true.

*Cinderella* will be at The Electric Palace from Wednesday, February 4th to Saturday, February 7th at 7.30pm with a matinee on the Thursday at 1.30pm and Saturday at 2pm. Come along to cheer, boo and hiss and enjoy Bridport's very own home-spun magical pantomime. There will be the usual slapstick, comedy and jokes, together with singing and dancing to music which will set your feet tapping as well as bringing a romantic glow to your heart!

The Box Office is now open at The Tourist Information Centre. For the first performance on Wednesday, February 4th all tickets will be £6 (no further reductions) and thereafter £8 reduced to £6 for children up to the age of 12 years.



Tanya Remnant as Cinderella



Amy Wheatley as the Fairy Godmother



Ziggy Gray as Buttons

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## Cinema Listings

Friday, Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> - Thurs, Jan 29<sup>th</sup>

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**Paddington<sup>PG</sup>**

Sat: 14.30, Sun: 12.30

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Daily: 13.15, 15.45, 18.15, 20.45



An elderly couple with short white hair are walking hand-in-hand on a grassy path. The woman is wearing a light green long-sleeved top and light-colored trousers. The man is wearing a blue V-neck sweater and khaki trousers. They are both smiling and looking towards the right. The background is a lush green park with trees and a body of water in the distance.

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At Fairfield House we have activities such as "smoothie socials" and "fruity Fridays", our residents enjoy this and it's good to use eating and

drinking as an opportunity for activity and social stimulation.

As we get older our food tastes may change, so experiment with stronger flavours by using spices and herbs. If you do consider pureed food, seek advice from a dietician or speech and language therapist to make sure it's nutritious and remains flavoursome.

We encourage people to get involved at mealtimes. They can help prepare the food or lay the table. Positive encouragement and gentle reminders to eat, and of what the food is, may help. As can a relaxed, friendly atmosphere with some soft music may help.

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# Tips for coping with change

**FOCUS** on the things you're grateful for. The longer you live, the more you lose. But as you lose people and things, life becomes even more precious. When you stop taking things for granted, you appreciate and enjoy what you have even more.

- Acknowledge and express your feelings. You may have a hard time showing emotions, perhaps feeling that such a display is inappropriate and weak. But burying your feelings can lead to anger, resentment, and depression. Don't deny what you're going through. Find healthy ways to process your feelings, perhaps by talking with a close friend or writing in a journal.

- Accept the things you can't change. Many things in life are beyond our control. Rather than stressing out over them, focus on the things you can control such as the way you choose to react to problems. Face your limitations with dignity and a healthy dose of humor.

- Look for the silver lining. As the saying goes, "What doesn't kill us makes us stronger." When facing major challenges, try to look at them as opportunities for personal growth. If your own poor choices contributed to a stressful situation, reflect on them and learn from your mistakes.

- Take daily action to deal with life's challenges. When

a challenge seems too big to handle, sweeping it under the carpet often appears the easiest option. But ignoring the problem doesn't make it go away; it allows both the problem and your anxiety to build. Instead, take things one small step at a time. Even a small step can go a long way to boosting your confidence and reminding you that you are not powerless.



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# Tips for eating well as you age

AS YOU age, your relationship to food may change along with your body. A decreased metabolism, changes in taste and smell, and slower digestion may affect your appetite, the foods you can eat, and how your body processes food. The key is to figure out how to adapt to your changing needs. Now, more than ever, healthy eating is important to maintain your energy and health.

. Load up on high-fiber fruits, vegetables, and whole grains. Your whole digestive system does slow as you age, so fiber is very important. Consume fiber-rich foods such as whole grains, fruit, and vegetables. They will help you feel more energetic and give you fuel to keep going.

. Put effort into making your food look and taste good. Your taste buds may not be as strong and your appetite may not be the same, but your nutritional needs are just as important as ever. If you don't



enjoy eating like you used to, put a little more effort into your meals, including the way you flavor, prepare, and present your food.

. Watch out for dehydration. Because of physical changes, older adults are more prone to dehydration. So make sure you are drinking plenty of fluid, even if you don't feel thirsty. If

you're not getting enough water, you're not going to be as sharp and your energy will suffer.

. Make meals a social event. It's more enjoyable to eat with others than alone. If you live alone, invite other people over. It's a great way to stay in touch with friends and you can share cooking and cleanup duties.

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Her philosophy is to provide truly individual and therapeutic support including complementary therapies such as acupuncture, to whatever degree is wanted or required.

She has always believed that this support should extend to the families and friends of those living at Bymead House as they form an important integral part of the care network within the home.

Bymead has always been proactive with the care provision and facilities on offer to the residents.

We continue to work towards the 'Gold Standards Framework in Care Homes', this will enhance the excellent care we already provide and is part of a national initiative to achieve the best quality of life for our residents particularly towards the end of life.

A very important part of the support Bymead provides is their extensive activities programme.

In line with their philosophy of holistic care, these activities are tailored to suit the individual needs of their residents.

The varied weekly programme reflects hobbies the residents may have had in their previous home and any new interests are encouraged and supported. Also outings to favourite destinations are chosen by the residents.

Sue Bartlett-Hall, activities co-ordinator, has been instrumental for many years in taking forward Susan Blacklock's vision of the therapeutic importance of social activities in relation to the happiness and wellbeing of people living within a care home.

Using local suppliers has always been important to Bymead House, this ensures that Bymead have frequent deliveries of fresh local produce each week enabling them to provide a varied, nutritious and tasty menu and special diets are also catered for.

Bymead continues to grow and develop as a vital care provider in the community.

Residents are encouraged to make the rooms their own personal space with favourite pieces of furniture, pictures and paintings.

All bedrooms are single and most are en-suite whilst each room has a telephone and television.

Bymead House would welcome any visits to the home, at any time, to see the benefits on offer.

Our new website has some lovely photos of the newly decorated areas; you can find this at [bymead-house.com](http://bymead-house.com)

All enquiries please telephone the Manager, Sue Blacklock on (01297) 560620 or e-mail [bymead-house@gmail.com](mailto:bymead-house@gmail.com)

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Dr. S.H. and Mrs. S.E.C. Curry have owned, managed and resided at The Manor House since April 1996.

Dr. Curry is a chartered psychologist with many years experience dealing with the rehabilitation of brain-injured individuals, whilst Mrs. Curry is an RGN with many years of specialist practice. Her experiences as ward Sister have been invaluable training in the management of staff and resources.

The Manor Houses latest Care Quality Commission inspection report was rated as a 3 Star or Excellent Care Service. The Manor House is a private residential care home which strives to provide the highest standard of care and permanent accommodation for 15 elderly individuals.

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## How to feel young and live life to the fullest

STAYING healthy and feeling your best is important at any age and that doesn't change just because you have a few more grey hairs. As we grow older, we experience an increasing number of major life changes, including career changes and retirement, children leaving home, the loss of loved ones, and physical changes. How we handle and grow from these changes is the key to staying healthy. These tips can help you maintain your physical and emotional health and live life to the fullest, whatever your age.

### Finding and following your formula for staying healthy

Coping with change is difficult, no matter how old you are. The particular challenge for adults over 65 is the sheer number of changes and transitions that start to occur—including children moving away, the loss of parents, friends, and other loved ones, changes to or the end of your career, declining health, and even loss of independence. It's natural to feel those losses.

## Daley Home Care

DALEY Home Care, the registered Domiciliary Care Agency, is helping clients from Lyme Regis to Dorchester to remain independent in their own homes. The team of friendly, personable carers are all highly trained, complementing their experience, (all have enhanced CRB disclosure) and guided by Registered Manager Julie Daley, who has a wealth of experience of the care industry. Julie also runs a 3 star rated Care Home and Domiciliary Care Agency in Shropshire and with fellow director Mark Roberts is now replicating these excellent standards in West Dorset.

We Care For You by Caring About You is Daley Home Care's simple message and sums up the company ethos. They are able to offer a full range of services, from personal care and help with domestic tasks to full palliative care. Helping clients regain their independence after hospital treatment and getting them to appointments and social events are all included. Daley Home Care is dedicated to providing the very highest standards of care 365 days a year, and their charges reflect this, being the same every day, ensuring every client enjoys the dignity and respect they deserve. Contact Daley Home Care on 01308 898 345 or email [daleyhomecare@btconnect.com](mailto:daleyhomecare@btconnect.com)



But if that sense of loss is balanced with positive ingredients, you have a formula for staying healthy as you age.

Healthy aging means continually reinventing yourself as you pass through landmark ages. It means finding new things you enjoy, learning to adapt to change, staying physically and socially active, and feeling connected to your community and loved ones. Unfortunately, for many, aging brings anxiety and fear instead. How will I take care of myself late in life? What if I lose my spouse? What is going to happen to my mind? However, many of these fears stem from myths about aging that are exaggerated by the media or simply untrue. The truth is that you are stronger and more resilient than you may think.



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# Tips for boosting vitality

DON'T fall for the myth that growing older automatically means you're not going to feel good anymore. It is true that aging involves physical changes, but it doesn't have to mean discomfort and disability. While not all illness or pain is avoidable, many of the physical challenges associated with aging can be overcome or drastically mitigated by eating right, exercising, and taking care of yourself.

It's never too late to start! No matter how old you are or how unhealthy you've been in the past, caring for your body has enormous benefits that will help you stay active, sharpen your memory, boost your immune system, manage health problems, and increase your energy. In fact, many older adults report feeling better than ever because they are making more of an effort to be healthy than they did when they were younger.



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At Oak Lodge we believe that another important aspect of maintaining our high standard of accommodation is redecoration when it is needed. Many of our rooms have been refreshed in recent months, including our new quiet room. This is a beautifully decorated lounge area with views of the garden where residents may spend time with visiting loved one, or simply relax.

Staff at Oak Lodge are also supporting the national initiative of Dignity Champions. A Dignity Champion is someone who believes passionately that being treated with dignity is a basic human right, not an optional extra. They believe that care services must be compassionate, person centred, as well as efficient, and are willing to try to do something to achieve this.

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# OUR CHANGING CLIMATE

## Dr Felicity Liggins to give talk in Dorchester

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The series of winter storms in 2013 was exceptional in its duration and led to the wettest December to January period since records began. Heavy rains, strong winds and high waves led to widespread flooding and coastal damage causing significant disruption to individuals, businesses and infrastructure. But the UK wasn't alone in experiencing extreme weather. It also coincided with exceptionally cold weather in Canada and the USA and enhanced rainfall over Indonesia.

Felicity Liggins is a senior climate consultant bringing interpretation of climate science to a range of customers including the oil and gas industries and local government. She helps organisations identify the challenges and opportunities climate change could bring both in the UK and around the world, providing the confidence to make appropriate decisions.

Felicity also leads the Met Office's STEM Outreach programme, coordinating a network of over 170 Ambassadors and working

with other organisations around the UK. The programme promotes the work of the Met Office to young people and wider communities and highlights how a career in science, technology, engineering or maths can be exciting, rewarding and of benefit to society.

The lecture on our changing climate takes place at 7pm on Wednesday, February 11th and doors are open from 6.30pm. The event is free but donations are welcome and all are welcome to attend. Further information is available on [www.dorsetcountymuseum.org](http://www.dorsetcountymuseum.org).



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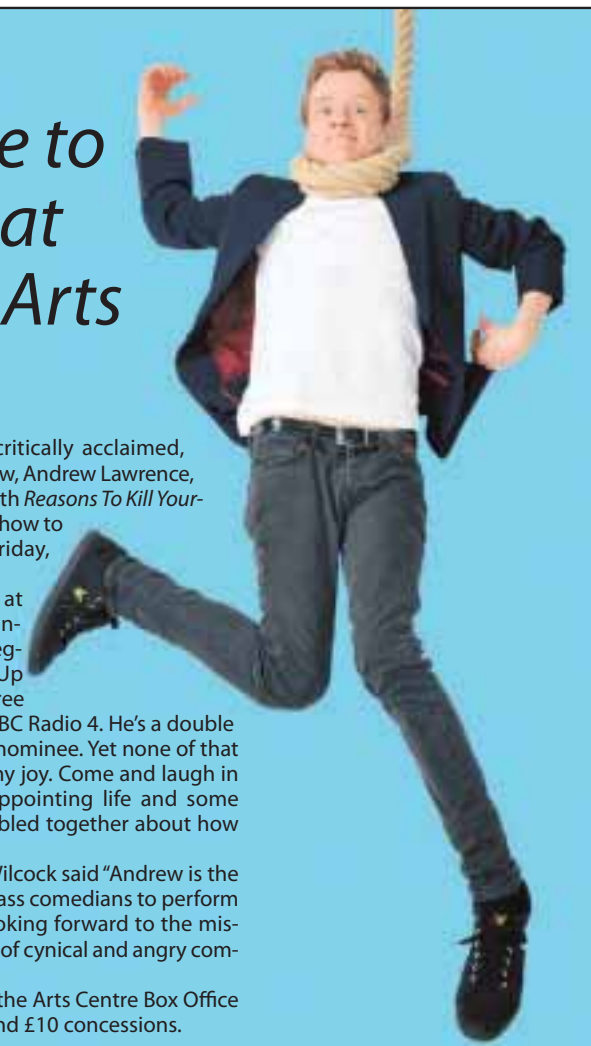
## Andrew Lawrence to perform at Bridport Arts Centre

FOLLOWING on from his critically acclaimed, sell-out Edinburgh 2014 show, Andrew Lawrence, heads back onto the road with *Reasons To Kill Yourself*. He will be bringing his show to Bridport Arts Centre on Friday, April 17th, 8pm.

He's been on BBC1's Live at the Apollo and BBC3's Edinburgh Comedy Fest Live a regular on Channel 4's Stand-Up For The Week. He's had three series of his own show on BBC Radio 4. He's a double Edinburgh Comedy Award nominee. Yet none of that rubbish has brought him any joy. Come and laugh in his stupid face at his disappointing life and some amusing thoughts he's cobbled together about how awful the world is.

Marketing Manager Lisa Wilcock said "Andrew is the latest in a long line of top class comedians to perform at the Arts Centre, we're looking forward to the misanthropes his unique brand of cynical and angry comedy"

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Paul Clarvis, Alec Dankworth, Emily Dankworth and Brandon Allen

## Alec Dankworth's World Spirit

INTERNATIONALLY acclaimed jazz bassist and composer Alec Dankworth has, from a long-standing love of music from the Iberian peninsula, formed World Spirit, a quartet whose music crosses the Straights of Gibraltar into Africa and beyond.

Alec, son of jazz legends Johnny Dankworth and Cleo Laine, has worked with artists as diverse as Stephane Grappelli, Abdullah Ibrahim and Van Morrison. Now, joining forces with his daughter Emily Dankworth,

leading tenor saxophonist Brandon Allen and world percussionist Paul Clarvis, Alec Dankworth's World Spirit explore melodies from Africa, South America and other continents from a jazz perspective in this special tour as part of Artsreach's 25th year of touring professional performers to rural venues in Dorset.

With tunes by Duke Ellington, Bela Flek, Antonio-Carlos Jobim, Abdullah Ibrahim and WC Handy originating from Ireland, Venezuela, Bulgaria,

South Africa, Mali and Brazil, World Spirit offers an evening of global song and improvisation. Book early to avoid disappointment!

Alec Dankworth's World Spirit perform at Melbury Osmond Village Hall (near Dorchester) on Thursday, February 5th at 7.30pm (call 01935 83410 for more details), and at Portesham Village Hall on Saturday, February 7th at 7.30pm (01305 871925). For more details on the show visit [www.artsreach.co.uk](http://www.artsreach.co.uk)

## Family History Open Day in Bridport

A FAMILY History Open Day takes place in Bridport on Saturday, January 24th at Marsh Barn Farm, Burton Road, from 10am-2pm.

Come along and meet the tutor and students for a chat and a coffee. See what courses are on offer from January to May. If you are thinking of starting your family history research do come along on Saturday.

Two 'Getting started in family history' courses are planned for Sunday, February 1st and Sunday, March 1st, or Wednesday, February 4th and Wednesday, February 11th, so that those who are working during the week can come along. An Organising and Writing up session takes place this Friday (January 23rd) at Marsh Barn.

Two day sessions include, Pre 1837 Records and More Pre 1837 Records.

One day specials include, Researching Military Ancestors, Scottish and Irish Records. Dorset Research, Town and Country life 1760 - 1914.

Wednesday classes start again on February 25th.

Leaflets are available from the Local History Centre, Grundry Lane. Bridport Library, Bridport Tourist Information Centre, The Book Shop and The Dorset History Centre in Dorchester.

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## View 2 Diary Dates

### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 21ST

**EYPE:** West Dorset Decorative and Fine Arts Society meeting. 'The Art and Meaning of Maps' lecturer: Prof. Jeremy Black. At Highlands End Leisure Centre, 2.30pm. For more details call 01297 443615.  
**MARTINSTOWN, NEAR DORCHESTER:** Chair-based Exercise, 11.15am-12.30pm at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Wednesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

### THURSDAY JANUARY 22ND

**BEAMINSTER:** Dr Lucy Goodison will give an illustrated talk, entitled 'Sexuality and the goddess' to the One World Forum in the Strode Room, (next to St Mary's Church) at 7.30pm. Visitor's entry remains at £4 which includes tea/coffee/biscuit.  
**EYPE:** Aquafit classes at Highlands End, Eype. 10.30am. Get fit and have fun in the water. Just come along or phone Penny Yarnold on 0797 087 9047 for more details.  
**BRIDPORT:** Talk: 'T.S. Eliot Life and Work' by Graham Fawcett at Sladers Yard, 6.30pm. Tickets £10 or £15 with support. Call 01308 459511 for more details or to book.

### FRIDAY JANUARY 23RD

**MARTINSTOWN, NEAR DORCHESTER:** Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 10-11.30am at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.  
**WEST BAY, BRIDPORT:** Exercise to Music for ages 50+. 3-4.30pm at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. £5 per session. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

### SATURDAY JANUARY 24TH

**WEYMOUTH:** Friends of Weymouth Library present 'Smuggling Tales from Dorset & Hampshire' a talk by ex-Yettie Bonny Martin. At the library, from 10.30am. £1.50 members, £2.50 non-members. Includes refreshments.  
**BRIDPORT:** Bring and Buy Coffee Morning, Tombola, Raffles etc at St Mary's Church House, South Street, 10.30am-12.30pm. All proceeds from this coffee morning will go to the National Osteoporosis Society. A chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee.  
**BOTHENHAMPTON:** Film: 'The Hundred Foot Journey' at the village hall. Doors 7pm, film 7.30pm. Tickets available on the door cost £4 for members of film club £5 for everybody else. For more details call 01308 423071

### SUNDAY JANUARY 25TH

**WHITCHURCH CANICORUM:** 15th Annual Farmhouse Breakfast at Whitchurch Canonicorum Village Hall from 9am - 2pm. In aid of hall funds with donation to Joseph Weld hospice. Further details available from Sue 01297 489375  
**CHARMOUTH:** 15th Annual farmhouse Breakfast at Whitchurch Canonicorum Village Hall nr Charmouth DT66RF from 9am till 2pm. Come and enjoy a traditional hearty farmhouse breakfast with lots of choice, as much as you can manage for £8.00 adults and children under 10 £5.00. Proceeds in aid of Village Hall and donation from raffle to Joseph Weld Hospice, more details from Sue or Kay 01297489375.

### MONDAY JANUARY 26TH

**BURTON BRADSTOCK:** Biodanza at Othona. Express, Connect, Relax! Dance like no one's watching, no steps to learn, no partner needed, uplifting world music and holistic health benefits. For all ages from 19 to 90. £7 each (concs available - just ask). 7.15pm for 7.30pm at Othona Community, Coast Road, DT6 4RN. For more details call 01308 897 130 or visit biodanza-bridport.co.uk  
**BRIDPORT:** 'The Lord Mayor of London & The Livery Companies's Illustrated Talk by Bob Ayers. Bridport United Church Hall, East St. 2.30pm. Presented by the Golden Cap Association (West Dorset). Non-members welcome. Admission £3. Includes tea or coffee and biscuits. For further information 01308 863577  
**BRIDPORT:** Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 5.45-7pm at the WI Hall. £5 per session. Every Monday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.  
**WEYMOUTH:** Terry Hope entertains Weymouth Classical Recorded Music Society with Terry's All Gold -Part Two, at the Acorns, Grosvenor Road, from 7.30pm. For more details call 01305 779787  
**BRIDPORT:** Bridport Folk Dance Club - meets at 7.30-9.30pm in the WI Hall, North Street, Bridport. No partner or previous experience required. Admission £2. Contact Jane on 01308 898 002 or Monty on 01308 423 442.

### TUESDAY JANUARY 27TH

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Regis Art Society. Workshop 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Lyme Regis Football Club, Charmouth Road, Lyme Regis. A follow up to Jake Winkle's demonstration on painting wildlife in watercolour. Free on site parking. All are welcome. Please contact Sue Wells on 01297 444289 to register and for more information including suggested list of materials.



## Gender swapping tango, and a battle of the sexes all rolled into one absurd party at Bridport Arts Centre

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Gracefool Collective are a group of artists from the Northern School of Contemporary Dance. Incorporating dance, theatre and music, the Gracefools mix sharp observation with quick wit, energy and playfulness.

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## View 2 Diary Dates

### WEST BAY, BRIDPORT: Chair-based Exercise.

10.30am-12noon at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. £5 per session. Every Tuesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 28TH

**UPLYME:** Uplyme & Lyme Regis Horticultural Society meeting. Alice Holden runs a small team growing organic food on a two acre site in Dagenham, east of London, and will be telling us how it was set up on a derelict industrial site and now runs successfully. The talk title is "Grown in Dagenham". 7.30pm at Uplyme Village Hall.

**MARTINSTOWN, NEAR DORCHESTER:** Chair-based Exercise. 11.15am-12.30pm at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Wednesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

### THURSDAY JANUARY 29TH

**UPLYME:** West Dorset Humanists will hold a meeting upstairs at The Avenue Restaurant, 33 West St, Bridport, Dorset DT6 3QW, starting at 7.30pm. It will take the form of an Open Discussion. Come along and ask questions about humanism and secularism, being agnostic or atheist, or living a good life without God. This is a chance to find out more, reflect on your ideas about these matters and talk them over with other free-thinking people. Entry is £3. Everyone is welcome. For more details, look us up online at [www.westdorsethumanists.org](http://www.westdorsethumanists.org) or e-mail [westdorsethumanists@hotmail.com](mailto:westdorsethumanists@hotmail.com) or ring 07583-888837.

### FRIDAY JANUARY 30TH

**LYME REGIS:** Lyme Bay Photographic Club meeting at Woodmead Halls, Seascap, Open PDI, and Print competitions. 7.30pm-10pm. For more details call 01297 444733

**UPLYME:** Charity Supper & Family Ferret Race Night - raising money for the Flamingo Pool (Axminster). At Uplyme Village Hall, 6-9pm. Tickets £8.50 adults, £4.50 children, £22 family. Discount for membership holders (includes bangers & mash supper, vegetarian option available). Bet on the ferrets, win the raffle, enter the drawing competition, lucky bucket, temporary tattoos, lollipop lotto, meet the ferrets, wine, beer, tuck shop, refreshments, family fun. Tickets available in advance from Flamingo Pool reception or by calling 01297 35800.

**MARTINSTOWN, NEAR DORCHESTER:** Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 10-11.30am at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

**WEST BAY, BRIDPORT:** Exercise to Music for ages 50+. 3-4.30pm at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. £5 per session. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

**DORCHESTER:** David Coombs presents The Railway Photographs of Keith Pirt to the Somerset & Dorset Railway Trust Dorchester Area Group at the Dorset Room, Colliton Club, County Hall, Dorchester, 7.30pm. Further details from 01305 262121, or email: [eather.foster1@btinternet.com](mailto:eather.foster1@btinternet.com)

### SATURDAY JANUARY 31ST

**HAWKCHURCH:** Hawkchurch Community Breakfast at Hawkchurch Village Hall, 8.30am - 11am. Full English breakfast as well as freshly made pancakes. Money raised will be shared between the primary school and a locally run charity 'School in a Bag'.

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### SUNDAY FEBRUARY 1ST

**DORCHESTER:** Weldmar Hospicecare Trust Snowdrop Memorial Services of Remembrance at The Borough Gardens at 3pm.

### MONDAY FEBRUARY 2ND

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**OSMINGTON:** Michael Hart continues his Keep it in the Family theme of previous years, focusing this time on music by the Bach Clan, for Osmington Recorded Music Society's meeting at Osmington Village Hall, Shortlake Lane, from 2.15pm. Plenty of car parking available. For more details call 01305 262121.

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The first floor Landing / TV area is a spacious split landing with four feature windows and an arched window to the front aspect. A passage leading off has doors to the Bedroom One - the master bedroom - a large spacious room with two windows each to the front, side and rear aspects.

The adjoining Dressing Room has a built-in wardrobe and a walk-in wardrobe. A further door

leads to the En-suite Bathroom, with bath incorporating a shower facility. The first floor Reception has a window to the rear aspect, whilst Bedroom Two, a single size room, has a window to front aspect. Bathroom Two has a white bathroom, the bath having a Victorian style thermo shower. Bedroom Three is a double size room and Bedroom Four, a twin room. Bathroom Three again has a Victorian style thermo shower. Bedroom Five - the balcony bedroom, is a spacious double bedroom French doors giving access to the balcony - which has an external spiral staircase to the ground floor. The En-suite Bathroom, has a white bathroom suite, once again with a Victorian style thermo shower.

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## The BMW 1 Series For 2015

NEARLY two million 1 Series models have been sold since the introduction of the first 1 Series generation ten years ago. This latest incarnation builds on the winning formula of these three- and five-door predecessors with new power units from the latest BMW engine family, additional EfficientDynamics technologies fitted as standard, and careful enhancements to the exterior and interior design.

The level of standard equipment is now even higher, new options have been added and with new mobility services from BMW ConnectedDrive, there are even more ways to increase the functionality and personalisation of the new 1 Series.

### Design

The proportions, lines and surface design of the new BMW 1 Series bear all the classical hallmarks of a BMW with its set-back passenger compartment, long bonnet and short overhangs, in particular, give it a uniquely sporting presence. The new car features subtle but key differences to refine yet further the overall package. At the front, a new lower apron with larger air intakes and a horizontal bar combines with reshaped BMW kidney grilles and new headlamps that feature LED daytime driving lights as standard on all models. For the first time, full LED headlamps with low and main beam have been added to the options list, with Adaptive LED headlamps a further option. These follow the path of the road ahead, and also adapt their beam according to the type of road and conditions at any given moment. At the rear, new tail lamps

with a familiar BMW 'L' shape design adopt striking LED technology.

The driver-focused cockpit of the new BMW 1 Series is an even more welcoming, sporty, comfortable place to sit, thanks to enhancements to the design, and the materials and fabrics used. In particular, there's a new cloth fabric for the seats.

The BMW Radio Professional and iDrive operating system continues to be standard across the entire range so all new 1 Series models feature the freestanding, 6.5-inch Control Display, the controller wheel mounted on the centre console, and the direct menu con-

trol and favourites buttons. If the optional Professional Navigation system is fitted, the Controller comes with a larger, touch-sensitive surface for inputting numbers and characters, while the onboard monitor takes the form of an 8.8-inch display of particularly slim design.

The controls arranged below the Control Display have also benefited from detailed refinements. Both the air vents and the controls for the radio and the automatic air conditioning now feature high-quality chrome surrounds. The radio and automatic air conditioning keypads, meanwhile, are set against high-gloss black panelling.



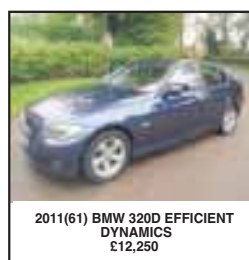
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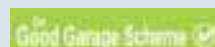


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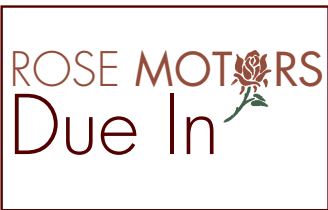
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## Lexus NX Powers Ahead With New Turbo Engine



▲ Lexus NX 200t F Sport

THE early success of Lexus's NX crossover range is set to gain extra, turbo-powered momentum with the introduction of the new NX 200t, the first model to benefit from Lexus's new 2.0-litre turbocharged engine.

Order books are open now for the NX 200t, which will be available exclusively in F Sport trim with all-wheel drive, emphasising its more performance-oriented character. It joins the full hybrid NX 300h, which has already amassed more than 1,000 sales since being introduced

late last year.

The NX 200t costs £38,095 on the road; first customer deliveries will be from mid-March.

### New 2.0-litre turbocharged engine

The NX 200t is the first Lexus model to use a new 2.0-litre turbocharged direct injection petrol engine. Developed in-house, the 1,998cc unit is matched to a newly developed six-speed automatic transmission with a Drive Mode Select system.

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tween 4,800 and 5,600rpm, with peak torque of 350Nm delivered at 1,650rpm. Official combined cycle figures for CO2 emissions and fuel consumption are 183g/km and 35.8mpg respectively.

The NX 200t uses a Dynamic Torque Control all-wheel drive system, which maximises traction and cornering stability, while securing the best possible fuel efficiency. According to driving conditions, up to 50 per cent of available torque can be directed to the rear wheels. Performance dampers are fitted as standard.

Full technical details will be announced later.

### F Sport exterior

The F Sport's exterior styling adds a sportier emphasis to the NX's sharp, distinctive lines with details including a prominent, large spindle grille with a mesh pattern featuring the Lexus F-motif, and a deeper bumper with a metallic-coated lower section. The door mirrors have a black finish and the F Sport 18-inch, 10-spoke alloys have a two-tone black and machined silver finish. The wheels are shod with 225/60R18 tyres.

The presence of the petrol turbo

engine means there are none of the blue hybrid accents and at the rear, the twin tailpipes are visible, with chrome-finished, trapezium-shaped outlets.

There are eight colour options, including new Sonic White, plus Sonic Titanium (currently the most popular finish for the NX 300h), Mercury Grey, Satin Silver, Celestial Black, Mesa Red, Ultra Blue and Velvet Black.

### F Sport interior

The F Sport theme is further amplified in the cabin. The sports front seats are made using an injection

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## Football round-up

WITH STUART BROOM

# Heath: Hard work and consistency the key

DORCHESTER, Martin-stown and Weymouth will all be playing in the newly-constituted Dorset Cricket Board Premier League this coming season.

The new format which the DCB believes will lead to a "prosperous future for league cricket in Dorset" is restricted to clubs who meet

These include such features as having two youth teams, are Clubmark accredited, have covers and sightcreens and must achieve a minimum standard mark for pitches and outfield, among others.

The board have listened to the clubs in respect of promotion and relegation having initially suggested a "closed shop", with the bottom side being relegated

Those clubs nominated: Broadstone, Dorchester, Martinstown, Parley, Poole Town, Sherborne, Stalbridge, Swanage, Weymouth and Wimborne & Colehill, have until this Friday to confirm their acceptance of the conditions.

Weymouth were already a Premier side, but both Dorchester and Martinstown are promoted from the old Premier Two by virtue of the facilities and set-up at their clubs.

STUART Heath believes that Saturday's 3-1 victory over fellow strugglers Banbury could be the turning point in Dorchester Town's season.

The club's coach had been placed in temporary charge along with player Nick Crittenden after the resignation of Graham Kemp.

Heath believes Jermyn's return to the club as player-manager along with the experienced Ben Watson will help the team produce consistent performances.

"We've never really had a settled side in the last 18 months. Injury and availability plays a big part at this level due to the small size of the squad, and if you don't have the resources to bring players in as replacements then you struggle, and that's what has happened for quite a while now.

"There's been a lot of negativity around the club, and not for want of trying things have just not happened. Saturday was such a massive game and it certainly doesn't mean we have turned our season around completely, but at least it gives us a springboard and confidence to carry on the momentum. I think the squad has settled down in terms of availability, in terms of injuries and understanding between the players.

"We have more experience in the team with the likes of Ben Watson and obviously Mark (Jermyn) as well, so everything points towards a change of fortune for us, but we certainly can't rest on our laurels after one win and we really have to get consistency in our performances. If we do that results will follow and hopefully get a winning run to move us up the league.

"We're hoping that Saturday was a sign of things to come where we were able to put an experienced, strong, quality team on the pitch.

"We've always said that this season we could compete and give anyone a match, but it's about consistency and decision making at crucial times. Hopefully with

more experience come better decision making, consistency and confidence."

He added: "With a change of manager this week I think it was imperative we kept our collective spirit.

"As a group we have talked long and hard about the need to win on Saturday to kick start our season and get some momentum.

"We're still in a relegation dogfight but I thought the players showed fantastic character.

"Despite going a goal down we forced a mistake and got on the ball in attacking areas quickly.

"It was a bit of a non-event in the second half and we showed a few nerves and a bit of lack of composure in front of goal but that's being picky really, because I thought our first half performance was exceptional.

Heath will concentrate on coaching in the future saying: "I'm fully committed to a club I've grown to care about both in the good and bad times."

He finished by saying: "The key message to the players is to continue the hard work and togetherness shown in the last few days. Sometimes when you are at the bottom you think everything is against you, but you have to make your own luck which is what we did on Saturday."

### Dorset Premier League

**SHAFESBURY TOWN 4 PORTLAND UNITED 2**  
THE ROCKIES sprang a major surprise by beating the Islanders who missed the opportunity to go top.

George Kimber set the home side on their way after five minutes before Charlie Brown doubled the advantage on 35 minutes and moments later Dave Cull made it 3-0.

Charlie May gave the visitors a brief way back when he reduced the arrears in the 72nd minute, but any hopes of a comeback were dashed seven minutes from the end when Sean Colohan made it 4-1.

Although Lewis Whyton scored a further consolation a minute from the end it was too late.

**WEYMOUTH RES 9 STURMINSTER MARSHALL 0**  
WEYMOUTH thrashed Sturminster in this one sided game.

Symon Matuszewski opened the floodgates on four minutes and Connor Jevon added a quick second.

Josh Tennant then completed a first half hat trick before Lee Sharpe made it six by the break. Jevon completed his hat trick in the second half before Sean Zima completed the rout in added time.

### DORSET FOOTBALL LEAGUE

#### Senior League

SOUTH Cheriton closed the gap on the top two following their 2-1 win at second placed Chickerell United whose goal came from Warren White.

Ben Mackie and Jamie Yates scored for Dorchester Sports in their 2-2 home draw with Corfe Mullen United, and Liam Samways bagged a brace for Sturminster Newton United in their 5-1 win against local rivals Okeford United 5-1; Stuart Frear (penalty), Callum Bent and Neil Sweatman getting the others.

#### Division One

KANGAROOS went top following their 8-1 victory over visitors Poole Borough Reserves. Ashley White and Andrew Southern both scored twice and there was one each for Richard Beasley, Taylor Quinton, Kieron Gallimore and Craig Hewitt.

Poundbury Rovers drop to the bottom, replacing Swanage Town & Herston Reserves who beat them 2-1, their consolation goal coming from Simon Baker.

#### Division Two

NOT much joy for local sides in Division Two where second bottom Chickerell United Reserves were beaten 2-1 by rock

bottom Corfe Castle.

Portesham United however moved out of the bottom two with a 3-1 win against their hosts Portland Town for whom Gary Prudanes netted.

Wyke Regis Social Club lost ground on the leading pack when they were beaten 4-2 at Broadstone.

#### Division Three

MAIDEN Newton & Cattistock were beaten 3-1 by second placed Wool & Winfrith, whilst Portland Town Reserves were beaten 5-1 at Mere Town Reserves where Robert Darch scored the consolation.

Two goals from Matthew Rimmer and one from Kevin Rogers saw Puddletown move up a couple of places after their odd goal in five win over visitors Handley Sports.

#### Division Four

PORTLAND United Youth's unbeaten run continues with an 8-3 victory at Fleetline which sees them move top on goal difference over their hosts with a game in hand. Daniel Andrews, Callum Bigg and Darren Welsh were on target for Fleetline.

Two goals from William Turland and an own goal earned Kangaroo Reserves a point in a 3-3 draw at Broadstone Reserves. United Football Club of Poundbury are fourth after goals from Matthew Dear and Adam Draper gave them a 2-1 win at Pimperne Sports Society, whilst Portland Town A beat bottom side Corfe Mullen United Reserves 2-1 with a Shane Maguire strike and an own goal.

#### Division Five

UNITED Football Club Of Poundbury moved into midtable after their 4-3 win over visitors Portland Town B with goals from Harry Norman (2), Matthew Cracknell and Tim Guyett.

Jake Gilbert (2) and Rowan Forty scored for the Islanders who remain bottom.

## Rugby round-up

# Five try Puddletown secure bonus point win

**Wimborne 3rds 12 Puddletown 34**

THE home side started the stronger and applied the early pressure however it was Puddletown who were first on the score sheet with captain Tom Yeatman slotting over a penalty from 22m writes Ian Frizzle.

But the "men in black" regained their composure and took advantage of the visitors being penalised for offside at a lineout with a quick tap penalty being fed down the line for the right wing to score an uncon-

verted try. Wimborne continued to be the dominant side as they battered the Puddletown try line, but the Villagers' defence stood firm until they strayed offside at a ruck. Again quick thinking Wimborne took a tap penalty, passing the ball to the opposite side for veteran centre Adey Turner to go over for a converted try and a 12-3 lead.

Against the run of play, Puddletown fullback Sam Stockley gathered a Wimborne clearance kick well inside his own half and scythed through the home

defence only to be stopped 10m short of the try line. However No8 JP Perrett was on hand to take the offload and went over to score under the posts which Yeatman converted to see Puddletown trailing 10-12 at half time.

The second half saw the home side start to tire and the visitors began to play their own expansion game. From a lineout on the home 22m, the Puddletown forwards caught and held the ball in, scrum half Lucas Frizzle took the ball, saw a gap and scampered through the sprawling defence to score in the corner to put his side ahead.

Straight from the resulting kick off, the ball was caught cleanly by Puddletown prop Jono Wilson who showed amazing pace to run 40m through the Wimborne defence before offloading to hooker Chris Haines went over for an unconverted try.

Puddletown continued to apply pressure to the Wimborne line, forcing the home side to give away a penalty where centre, Jez Michael-Beale acted quickly, taking a quick tap

to drive over for a Yeatman converted try

Wimborne scored a fifth try when Yeatman put in a clearing kick that was well chased by winger Zak Westell who caught Wimborne in possession. The ball was turned over and fed back across field for Stockley to outstrip the home tacklers to score under the posts. Yeatman converted to give the Villagers a 34-12 victory.

| Dor & Wilts 25        | Pd | +/-  | Pts |
|-----------------------|----|------|-----|
| East Dorset.....      | 14 | 296  | 61  |
| Salisbury II.....     | 13 | 309  | 47  |
| Swanage & W II.....   | 13 | 257  | 44  |
| PUDDLETOWN.....       | 13 | -18  | 38  |
| WEY & PORT.....       | 13 | 172  | 31  |
| Bournemouth III.....  | 13 | 72   | 29  |
| DORCH II.....         | 13 | -22  | 29  |
| BRIDPORT.....         | 13 | -12  | 28  |
| New Milton II.....    | 13 | -205 | 19  |
| El & R'Wood II.....   | 13 | -211 | 19  |
| North Dorset III..... | 14 | -355 | 9   |
| Wimborne III.....     | 13 | -283 | 6   |

### Injuries bring Gladiators to a halt

A SERIES of injuries finally brought Dorchester Gladiators game with Wincanton to a premature halt with the visitors in command.

Due to unavailability Wincanton had been forced to bring in players from other clubs, and Dorchester felt this unfamiliarity might be to their advantage, but as the game unfolded it was the hosts that suffered more from lack of coordination.

In the first half Dorchester seemed to dominate, although a floated pass was picked off for Wincanton's first try, and handling errors gave them a chance to seize on a loose ball for their second.

But being two scores down at half time did not seem insurmountable, provided the rather high error count could be reduced.

In particular, Tom Dike, Yorrick Legg and Andy Matthews were making good ground in the loose, while ferocious tackling and carrying in the tight as well as massive scrums from man of the match Chris Elliott kept the home side on the front foot.

Indeed at one point Dorchester got over the visitors' line only to be driven back before the ball could be grounded.

In the second half Win-

canton came more into the game, and had to work hard for both of their tries rather than being gifted them. Karl Makepeace, in only his second senior game, got his arm under the ball to hold up another.

A series of injuries somewhat disrupted the Gladiators late in the second half, with Elliott, Luke Scadden and Jarod Tasdelan all having to leave the field.

Nevertheless, with less than 10 minutes to go Dorchester were well with Wincanton's half and advancing purposefully when a nasty ankle injury to Matthews from a seemingly innocuous tackle brought the match to a premature end.

The Gladiators are away at Ellingham and Ringwood III next Saturday.

**Dorchester Under 12**  
DORCHESTER made an explosive start to the New Year by recording a record win over North Dorset before receiving some pay back in the second game.

Dorchester showed some impressive skills, especially from the backs, to come out on top in a hard

fought victory in the first game.

North Dorset played a lot of the game on the back foot, and despite winning the majority of forwards ball both in the scrum and rucks, they succumbed to a superb defence from the Dorchester backs whose pressure and hassling kept North Dorset pegged back.

The relentless pressure imposed soon started to pay off with the first two tries coming from a charge down and a North Dorset forced error respectively.

The visitors were resigned to a kicking game in order to gain field position but safe hands from the Dorchester wings and full back meant that the ball was quickly run back at them and they were under pressure yet again.

Two more well worked tries from the hosts and one from the visitors made it 20-5 to Dorchester at half time.

The second half started badly for Dorchester with a lack of communication from the kick-off allowing North Dorset to fall on the ball for the easiest of tries, and soon after another silly

error put the visitors back in contention.

Dorchester responded strongly however and by upping their game to the same tempo as the first half they quickly hit back with a scores of their own.

A good run down the wing secured a final try for Dorchester, who, despite the scoreline, emerged as comfortable victors by 35-20 with tries from Jamie Stewart (2), Jack Haslewood (3), Gabriel Burton and Brook Legg.

The size of Dorchester's squad meant that they were able to field another ten man team in a shorter second match.

In a complete reversal of the first, Dorchester's defence crumbled and it didn't take North Dorset long to capitalise.

Errors started to creep in to the host's game and despite valiant efforts the flood gates opened as Dorchester struggled to gain any momentum, ending the wrong side of a 60-15 scoreline with tries from Burton, Miles Quick and Corey Waters.

## Dorchester & District Snooker

RECENT results and tables as at January 18th  
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Brid Con Club WDC A 5  
WDC YMFMDT 4 Trinity  
M 3, Colliton Hopefuls 3  
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| Week 11                | Pld | Pts |
|------------------------|-----|-----|
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| Bridport Con Club..... | 9   | 42  |
| WDC YMFMDT.....        | 9   | 34  |
| Trinity Express.....   | 9   | 32  |
| Trinity Gooduns.....   | 8   | 31  |
| Colliton XQ2014.....   | 9   | 30  |
| Colliton Hopefuls..... | 9   | 27  |
| Purbeck Potters.....   | 8   | 23  |
| Whipping Boys.....     | 9   | 16  |

**Team Handicap Knockout Cup Semi-Finals;**  
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Trinity Gooduns v Trinity M - Monday, February 2nd @ Trinity Club, Brid Con Club WDC A v Trinity Express - Tuesday, February 3rd @ Colliton Club.

**Rearranged League matches;** Colliton XQ 2014 v Trinity Express - Thursday January 29th, Colliton XQ 2014 v Brid Con Club WDC A - Monday February 9th, Purbeck Potters v WDC Whipping Boys - Monday February 23rd, Trinity Express v Trinity Gooduns - Thursday February 26th, Trinity Gooduns v Colliton XQ 2014 - to finish (score so far 2-3), Brid Con Club WDC A v WDC YMFMDT - being rearranged by team captains.

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| Nags Z          | 9   | 9   |
| Royal Standard  | 7   | 8   |
| Hunters Lodge   | 9   | 7   |
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Hockey

Beaminster run ended by leaders

**Yeovil & Sherborne 2nd 2 Beaminster 0**

BEAMINSTER'S Ladies' five match winning run came to an end on Saturday when they suffered a 2-1 defeat at Channel Division One league leaders Yeovil & Sherborne 2nds.

However, the team once again gave a good account of themselves and look a far more confident outfit than they did at the beginning of the season.

Beaminster matched their hosts in the first 15 minutes, both sides showing skill and determination with Sarah Davies, Tracey Smith and Georgina Simmons producing formidable defending.

However they couldn't prevent Yeovil taking the lead following a goalmouth melee when home captain Pippa Parker lifted the ball over keeper Lisa Condliffe who had saved the initial shot.

Following another period of even play, Yeovil doubled the lead following a breakaway, and when Condliffe once again saved the initial shot, Alice Ruckert was on hand to fire home the rebound.

Beaminster were marginally the better side after the break with Phoebe Stewart, Lydia Brooking and Bella Foot causing problems with great runs down the wings.

But they failed to convert their chances into goals before Yeovil put the Beaminster defence under pressure in the final minutes.

However a great team effort saw them defend a flurry of short corners to prevent any further score.

**Comfortable win for Hawks against battling Bude**

**WEST DORSET HAWKS 6 BUDE 0**

ON paper this looked a difficult game for third placed Hawks, they recorded a hard earned point in Cornwall back in October against a young, athletic side and were expecting more of the same.

Although the hosts had a squad of 12 including a returning Simon Wakely, they were without captain Rick Dormor and midfield dynamo Robin Goodfellow who were both injured, whilst Bude who were below the

Hawks only on goal difference, arrived with just ten men.

Unfortunately within 50 seconds that was nine as a defender was hit in the face by a shot at goal from close range resulting in an inch long gash from his lip to his chin.

Twice he tried to carry on before lapsing into unconsciousness after which Wakely kindly drove him to hospital where he was successfully treated.

Two men down, the Hawks quickly punished their opponents with two goals in as many minutes; the first a classic Russell Coombes poacher's goal, the second from Steve Mearling following Alex Davies' cross.

Still reeling, Bude conceded a third before halftime when Mike Thompson beat two defenders before smashing his shot into the corner.

Despite the disadvantage Bude produced a gutsy performance at the start of the second half and held the Hawks for 20 minutes.

Indeed, but for a fine save by keeper Tom Lowe and some stoic

defending from Jim Bowditch, Julian May and Charlie Davis, they might have got back into the game.

However, the returning Wakely killed off any comeback when he deftly drew the keeper before feeding Mearling who lobbed the stranded goalie.

Despite giving their all, Bude were running out of steam as Dan Wyatt, Rick Steel and Mearling rampaged down the wings, and when the latter was taken out inside the D, Thompson scored from the penalty flick with aplomb.

In the dying minutes Thaompson celebrated his hat trick on his birthday with a wonderful reverse stick strike into the top corner.

Stand-in captain Gavin Brooking said: "Bude only had nine, but they made a real good game of it."

"At this level hockey is a dangerous game and we're just glad their player was okay."

**HAWKS:** Lowe, May, C Davies, Brooking, A Davies, Wyatt, Wakely, Steele, Bowditch, Thompson, Mearling, Coombes

*Umpires: David Foot, Robert Sinclair*

| Channel Div 1      | Pld | Pts |
|--------------------|-----|-----|
| Yeovil & Sherb 2nd | 12  | 29  |
| Bournemouth 3rd    | 11  | 19  |
| B & SN 2nd         | 12  | 16  |
| BEAMINSTER         | 12  | 16  |
| Salisbury          | 10  | 13  |
| Yeovil & Sherb 3rd | 11  | 12  |
| Salisbury 4th      | 12  | 12  |
| Gillingham 2nd     | 10  | 9   |

| D' Wood Div 1 (top) | Pld | Pts |
|---------------------|-----|-----|
| Tavistock           | 13  | 30  |
| Isca C              | 13  | 27  |
| WEST DORSET         | 13  | 23  |
| Sidmth & Ottery C   | 13  | 20  |
| Bude                | 13  | 20  |
| Camborne SoM        | 13  | 17  |
| USHC Plymouth       | 13  | 17  |
| Plymouth Uni A      | 13  | 14  |
| PGSOB A             | 13  | 12  |
| East Devon A        | 13  | 12  |
| Truro B             | 13  | 8   |
| OPM A               | 13  | 7   |

| SE 2 Div (top)    | Pld | Pts |
|-------------------|-----|-----|
| Bridgwater B      | 11  | 30  |
| WEST DORSET A     | 10  | 24  |
| North Devon A     | 11  | 24  |
| Ashmoor A         | 10  | 17  |
| Bridgwater C      | 11  | 17  |
| Chard A           | 10  | 15  |
| Sidmth & Ottery C | 10  | 15  |
| Taunton Vale D    | 11  | 4   |
| Sidmth & Ottery D | 10  | 4   |
| Minehead B        | 10  | 3   |

Rugby

Blues give Salisbury a run for their money

**Bridport 12 Salisbury 2nd 28**

HAVING been soundly beaten 62-0 in the reverse fixture back in October, Bridport began the game on the front foot and laid siege to Salisbury's line from the off.

However, the visitors defence held firm and when the ball went loose the opportunity appeared to have been lost, but the Blues were rewarded when Josh Walton was first to it and sped away to score. A difficult conversion was missed.

Salisbury were quickly back in it with a penalty under Bridport's posts and three straightforward points. Quick handling from Bridport's much improved backs led Dave Cutting to within inches of the whitewash and a penalty to Bridport was missed soon after.

The hosts failure to stretch their lead seemed to give Salisbury confidence and

they came back strongly scoring two tries, one of which was converted to lead 15-5 at the break.

Salisbury started the second half as they ended the first and forced a penalty, which was converted for three more points.

Stirling defence exemplified by Man of the Match Walton, just about kept Bridport in the game, but eventually they ran out of tacklers and Salisbury scored again, although the conversion was missed.

It looked all over, but from a penalty Freddie Woolner launched a mighty kick deep into Salisbury's 22.

From the line-out the ball ended up in Woolner's hands and he scored and added the conversion.

Bridport enjoyed a good spell then and were a little unlucky when a speculative hack up field ended with another Salis-

bury try. Unusually, the conversion was charged down.

Bridport finished strongly, particularly in the scrum and were by no means disgraced by second-placed Salisbury. They were also able to give Colts, Alex Perkin, Sam Petchey and George Pearce their first taste of senior rugby.

| Dorset & Wilts 2S    | Pld | +/-  | Pts |
|----------------------|-----|------|-----|
| East Dorset          | 15  | 322  | 66  |
| Salisbury II         | 14  | 325  | 52  |
| Swanage & W II       | 14  | 257  | 49  |
| Puddletown           | 14  | 4    | 43  |
| Weymouth & Portland  | 14  | 207  | 36  |
| Bournemouth III      | 14  | 77   | 33  |
| Dorchester II        | 14  | -27  | 30  |
| BRIDPORT             | 14  | -26  | 28  |
| Elling'm & R'wood II | 14  | -237 | 19  |
| New Milton II        | 14  | -240 | 19  |
| Wimborne III         | 14  | -307 | 6   |
| North Dorset III     | 15  | -355 | 4   |

Scrums were well contested, but Wellington's organisation and presence in the rucks ensured the home side were always second best.

Corbin Newman scored a consolation try after some good work by Henry Wyrill and Parkman, but it was not enough to spark a revival.

Bridport know they have the ability but need to find some hunger and commitment when competing for loose ball.

**Wimborne U12 10 Bridport 10**

STARVED of previous opposition and a sense of confidence, the 12 U12s faced a squad of 29 but defended with great assurance.

At this stage of the season the boys are a unit and defended the early pressure.

Despite going down a try, they struck back with a devastating break from Reuben Joffille, and at halftime the scores were tied, neither side having an advantage.

In a very close match the second half saw a try apiece from both sides to end in a draw.

Bridport felt that it was an honour to play against Wimborne who always play inclusive rugby, but can be pleased with their contribution to such a good game.

broke free, that crucial split second to release the ball to an unmarked player was missed.

Although Bridport lost all four of the ten minute games, 5-0, 2-1, 3-0 and 4-0, the games were tighter than the scores suggest and the 28 player squad of Wimborne always ensured fresh players against the tiring 11 Blues.

**Under 9**

A VERY cold morning found Bridport's facing three games, as Wimborne are able to field three teams at this level, but as with their last few outings they acquitted themselves extremely well.

The first game ended 6-6 with tries by Charles Edwards (2), Henry Everitt (2), James Glanville and Barney Johnson.

The second game was a convincing 8-5 win with Edwards running away with six tries, and one apiece from Johnson and Abi Alner.

The third game was won by Wimborne as a tiring Bridport conceded nine tries. Johnson found his best form to contribute four in reply and Player of the Match Edwards added a fifth.

**Under 8**

BRIDPORT Under 8s traveled with nine players to a very chilly Wimborne RFC.

Admittedly, Bridport took a little time to warm up, but once into their stride they gave their Wimborne counterparts a very good match.

Leading from the front, Robert Cross had his best game of the season, prominent in both defence and attack.

George Crabb demonstrated strong straight running and Kieran Coomb's change direction left defenders in his wake.

In support; William Banham, Sonny Burton, Callum Stanton, William Dacey, Tom George and Henry Best all gave excellent performances.



◆ OUTSTANDING GAME: Bridport Under 12s on the attack in their game against Wimborne. Photo by MARK PERKIN

**Bridport U14 0 Bournemouth 33**

THE young Blues hosted Bournemouth in the semi-final of the Dorset plate competition and although the score line flattered the visitors, they played well.

The opening encounter saw the visitors camped on Bridport's try line and their dogged defence held until a couple of missed tackles saw Bournemouth crossing the whitewash, which went unconverted.

Three further converted tries saw the visitors turn around at half time with a commanding lead.

After the break, the the hosts started to play a more physical game which disrupted the Bournemouth's game and the pressure they applied showed some real positives, and it was much against the run of play when the visitors scored.

**Bridport U13 5 Wellington 55**

A WELLINGTON side with seven Under 12 players in their side gave Bridport a lesson in all aspects of the game.

**Under 11**

ON a cold crisp morning, with an early start and a very late venue change, Bridport were never really cohesive as a team.

Their one demon tackler was absent, and although we saw the first consistent tackling from James Clatworthy, Daniel Smith, and James Edwards, too many Bridport players allowed the opposition to run through unimpeded.

In contrast, Bridport's driving over the ball was emphatic, but too often there was no-one to pick up the ball, or they were too slow, and often, when the backs



Lyme Regis Skittles

CUP fixtures:  
Tonight, (Wednesday).  
Den Parsons Men's Singles

**ROCKPOINT** - B Kendrick, J Bennett Snr, S Trott, J Billson, S Beal, D Herbert, M Denning, A Trott, R Chapple, K Trott, L Dare, N Chapman, L Hodder.

**SHIP INN** - J Parsons, G Gibbs, N Hampton-Rumbold, R Tucker, C Marchant, R Bevis, C Kapur, M Bearpark, K Pratt, J Rickard, I Lock, W Chapman, P Bright, D Welsh.

**PILOT BOAT** - A Rattenbury, P Rattenbury, T Tozer, M Lewis, M Brotherton, G Kent, J Powell, M Jones, J Hunt, D Rowe, C Wrixton, J Bennett Jnr, J Gratton, T Mayers.

**GEORGE INN** - A Churchill, T Holmes, M Croad, M Williams, C Flux, K Bearpark, P Hodder, P Liston, J Fry, B Kapur, R Emm, C Lewis, J Lee, S Shaw, D Currell.

Friday, January 23rd  
**Division Two Cawston Cup**  
Skittle Me Timbers v Trappers or Wreckers, Alleytwits v Rousdon Rebels.

Monday, January 26th  
Ladies George Nomination.  
Smashers v Hot Gossips or La Crème, Just Us v Wootton Wobblers.

Wednesday, January 28th  
**Division One George nomination**  
Marksmen v Clueless.

Friday, January 30th.  
**Division One George nomination;**  
Skippy's Six v No Hoppers, Young Guns v Flyers, Roadrunners v Tornados or Anthill Mob.

**Division Two Curtis Nomination**  
Wreckers v Rousdon Rebels, Trappers v Skittle Me Timbers or Alleytwits.

Bees news

Bees fail to crack Hallen nut

Bridport 0 Hallen 0

Toolstation Premier - att: 81

BRIDPORT were looking to avenge their most disappointing defeat of the season against Hallen at St Mary's on Saturday, but found the Bristol club a hard nut to crack, and had to settle for a point.

Although manager Trevor Senior was disappointed his side didn't find the net, he thought that it was a fair result. "I thought it was a fair result and a decent game for a 0-0 result. The pitch was tacky and there wasn't a lot of goalmouth action but both sides were committed and tried to play football and played as well as last week when we got

three points.

"The first half was better than the second which got a bit scrappy, and chances were limited."

Both sides had early sights on goal but neither Hallen's Darren Hawkins or Warren Byerley's efforts troubled the respective keepers.

There was no further goalmouth action until six minutes before the break when Byerley connected too well with an overhead kick which cleared the crossbar.

Sean Stewart might have given Bridport a half-time lead soon after when a shot was charged down and the ball dropped to the striker inside the six yard box, but he volleyed his effort over

the angle of the goalframe.

The second half was little better in terms of shots on goal. Hawkins forced Bees keeper Ashley Weeks into a good save down at his post, before he had to be alert to turn away Matt Tovey's close range effort.

There was a good battle between Matty Condliffe and Hallen's winger Tovey which earned the defender the Bridport man of the match award.

late chance

Hallen could have taken all three points in added time when Oliver Butler struck the crossbar but it that would have been a repeat of their first encounter which would have been an injustice.

Senior added: "There are only three sides who have scored fewer goals than us and I asked the boys before the game to see if we could improve on that with a few.

"As it turned out we didn't score any but kept another clean sheet, but with the heavy conditions, I am happy with that.

"It will be the same again at Longwell Green next week I am sure, but we have to get on with it; it's the same for everyone.

My aim this season is to get more points than last season's 53, and with 33 so far this term from 22 games we are on course, although there is one team and two games less."

Wessex Point-to-Point

Impressive win treble for Biddick

HENLEY trainer Jack Barber and three-time national champion jockey Will Biddick combined to land a treble at Larkhill last Saturday.

Aerial (Men's Open), Subtle Sovereign (Conditions race) and Bandeirantes (first Maiden) provided the pair's three successes.

The former put in a superb round of jumping to secure the win needed for Cheltenham Foxhunter qualification. "We're still not certain whether to go for the Cheltenham or Aintree Foxhunter, although he still needs to be placed in a Hunter Chase to qualify for the latter," said joint-owner Tony Hayward. "It's possible he'll go straight to Cheltenham, but if the ground's soft there, we'll have a rethink.

"He jumps for England and has hardly ever made a mistake in his life, although he did once fall at a bullfinch fence in France when distracted by another horse. I'd actually love to see him tackling the Aintree fences."

Course specialist Subtle Sovereign raced prominently throughout before registering his fourth Larkhill success. "What a horse," beamed Jack, clearly recalling that Subtle Sovereign was his first winner as a trainer and last as a jockey. "He'll win Open races but we'll avoid them as long as possible to avoid picking up weight penalties."

Bandeirantes made an impressive racecourse debut by collaring favourite Cooladerry King at the last.

"He's our first homebred and our first outright winner as owners, although we and Brett Parsons were joint owners of Willow Ryde when he won this corresponding race in 2006," confided Glastonbury owners Hugh and Liz Webster.

Cooladerry King's Shropshire trainer Sheila Crow and jockey Paddy Gerety went one better when Mr Mercurial had sufficient reserves to take the Intermediate after leading into the straight.

"He'll go Hunter Chasing and I can see him in the Cheltenham Foxhunter one day, although maybe not this year," said Sheila.

"Paddy says he blew up but still had the class to get home. These are my first runners of the season and we've come here as, regrettably, our North West season doesn't start until March."

That's Rhythm belied his 15 years with a brilliant performance in a top quality ladies' open. Prominently ridden by Page Fuller, That's Rhythm stormed clear of his field in the straight.

The winner, who has won five races between the flags and seven hunter chases, will be campaigned in point-to-points according to trainer Charlotte Fuller, mother of the winning rider.

Briefcase put in a magnificent round of jumping to take the second maiden for the Edwards family. Ridden by Darren Edwards and owned and trained at Wheddon Cross by Darren's father, Gordon, Briefcase had finished runner-up in five of his 20 hurdle races, so was certainly not winning out of turn.

"Outsider of three" punters were rewarded when Harriet Besent's Impact Zone took the Hut race under former conditional Louis Muspratt.

Harriet made the running aboard her 2013 and 2014 corresponding race winner Deimne before Seamus Mullins' odds-on favourite Combustible Lady led at the 13th, but neither had any answer when Louis pressed the button at the third last fence.

Results

Going: Good, Entries: 110; runners: 74 (67%).

HUNT MEMBERS (3 ran)

1. Impact Arena (U) (L Muspratt, 10-1); 2. Combustible Lady (IRE) (D Sansom, 1-2F); 3. Deimne (IRE) (Miss H Besent, 7-4). 6min 12s. 20l, 10l. (Harriet Besent).

OPEN MAIDEN (Div 1) - 5yo & up (12 ran)

1. Bandeirantes (W Biddick, 3-1); 2. Cooladerry King (IRE) (P Gerety, evensF); 3. Minellacelebration (IRE) (J

Nixon, 4-1). 6min 17s. 2½l, 5l. (Jack Barber).

Open Maiden (Div 2) 5yo & up (14 ran)

1. Briefcase (IRE) (D Edwards, 7-1); 2. Royalzaro (FR) (W Biddick, 3-1); 3. Tom Barton (R Henderson, 5-1). 6min 18s. 3l, 4l. (Jack Barber).

LADIES OPEN (13 ran)

1. That's Rhythm (FR) (Miss P Fuller, 9-4); 2. Seigneur Des Bois (FR) (Miss A Stirling, 25-1); 3. Safferano (IRE) (Miss G Andrews, 50-1). 6min 06s. 4l, 3l. (Charlotte Fuller).

RAH CLUB MEMBERS CONDITIONS - 5yo & up (14 ran)

1. Subtle Sovereign (IRE) (W Biddick, 1-2F); 2. Hinchelsea Moor (D Sansom, 33-1); 3. Garstin (IRE) (R Henderson, 7-1). 6min 16s. 6l, 2l. (Jack Barber).

MENS OPEN (5 ran)

1. Aerial (FR) (W Biddick, 1-4F); 2. Otto The Great (FR) (F Henderson, 10-1); 3. Arthurian Legend (Z Baker, 9-2). 6min 10. 15l, 10l. (Jack Barber).

INTERMEDIATE (13 ran)

1. Mr Mercurial (IRE) (P Gerety, 5-1); 2. Legal Legend (T McClorey, 3-1); 3. Third Chance (IRE) (W Biddick, 7-1). 6min 07s. 2l, 8l. (Sheila Crow).

Bridport & District Darts

| Division One                                                     | Pld | Pts |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|
| BSC                                                              | 11  | 18  |
| Robb Robbers                                                     | 13  | 17  |
| Nomads                                                           | 12  | 17  |
| Knapp Inn                                                        | 11  | 16  |
| Hands of Time                                                    | 11  | 12  |
| Outsiders                                                        | 12  | 12  |
| Nags Head A                                                      | 12  | 12  |
| Rubber Johns                                                     | 11  | 9   |
| The Hitmen                                                       | 12  | 6   |
| It's in the Middle                                               | 10  | 6   |
| One for the Vikings                                              | 13  | 3   |
| 180s leaders: Tony Young x5, Graham Knight x4, eight players x3. |     |     |

| Division Two                                                                                  | Pld | Pts |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|
| Young Darters                                                                                 | 12  | 26  |
| Elders                                                                                        | 12  | 16  |
| Dat Team                                                                                      | 11  | 15  |
| Odds or Us                                                                                    | 11  | 13  |
| Les Miserables                                                                                | 11  | 12  |
| Poachers                                                                                      | 11  | 10  |
| Royal Hawks                                                                                   | 10  | 9   |
| Anchor Vale Viewers                                                                           | 12  | 7   |
| Flashes Fives                                                                                 | 11  | 5   |
| The Surgeons                                                                                  | 11  | 3   |
| 180s leaders: P.Rowley, Robin Townsend & Andy Reid all x3, Len Challis & Simon Warry both x2. |     |     |

| Division Three                                                          | Pld | Pts |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|
| Otter Rotters                                                           | 12  | 17  |
| Midnight Runners                                                        | 12  | 16  |
| Time Bombs                                                              | 11  | 15  |
| Inbetweens                                                              | 11  | 14  |
| Mis Fit                                                                 | 12  | 12  |
| Anchor Five                                                             | 11  | 11  |
| The Royal Nuts                                                          | 12  | 7   |
| Odds & Sods                                                             | 9   | 7   |
| Tip Top Odds                                                            | 10  | 7   |
| Only Just                                                               | 12  | 6   |
| 180s leaders: Paul Bearpark & Andre Reynolds both x2, eight players x1. |     |     |

| Division Four                                                                             | Pld | Pts |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|
| Robbie's Rebels                                                                           | 11  | 18  |
| No Direction                                                                              | 12  | 16  |
| Dodgers                                                                                   | 11  | 15  |
| Tiger Bees                                                                                | 11  | 15  |
| Sorted Odds                                                                               | 12  | 13  |
| Whamo                                                                                     | 11  | 10  |
| Con Artists                                                                               | 10  | 10  |
| Money Shotz Mafia                                                                         | 11  | 7   |
| Mozzies Heroes                                                                            | 12  | 4   |
| Red Arrows                                                                                | 11  | 4   |
| 180s leaders: Billy Hallett, Paul Norman, Dan Rawlings, Bob Rendell & Andy Page (all x1). |     |     |

| Ladies Division One                                                                                  | Pld | Pts |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|
| Tender Trap                                                                                          | 15  | 28  |
| Anchor Aces                                                                                          | 15  | 22  |
| Clocking In                                                                                          | 15  | 20  |
| Knight 'n' Gals                                                                                      | 15  | 18  |
| Against the Odds                                                                                     | 15  | 12  |
| Queen Bees                                                                                           | 15  | 12  |
| Queenies of the Club                                                                                 | 15  | 4   |
| Cliff Hangers                                                                                        | 15  | 4   |
| 180s: Janet Collins & Tina Dawe both x2, Sarah Chick, Sharon Poole, Liz Vowells & Sue Violet all x1. |     |     |

| Ladies Division Two      | Pld | Pts |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|
| Tracey's Tarts           | 14  | 20  |
| Castaways                | 13  | 19  |
| Sue's Rebels             | 13  | 18  |
| Next Door                | 13  | 14  |
| Wildcats                 | 12  | 12  |
| Anchor's Awigh           | 12  | 10  |
| Good Maties              | 13  | 9   |
| Tiger Stripes            | 13  | 9   |
| Charlie's Angels         | 13  | 5   |
| 180s leaders: L.Sweet x1 |     |     |

West Dorset Primary Schools Cross Country Championships

Ideal conditions at Colfox make for great racing



◆ THE WINNERS: The winning St Catherine's boy's team which includes the individual winner Finley Caudwell (fourth left) and Symondsbury School's winning girls team.

ALMOST 160 runners from ten schools competed in the first of two West Dorset Primary School Cross 2015 Country Championship races hosted by The Sir John Colfox School last week.

Overnight rain and strong winds had abated in time to provide almost ideal conditions, apart from the usual climb of the hill leading off Dodham's Lane which proved tricky to some.

The races once again highlighted the great running talent in the Bridport, Lyme Regis and Beaminstor area.

Pre-race favourite Bella Jacobson (Symondsbury) took the lead in the girls race which she held until she reached the hill where she was overtaken by Lucy Selway (Bridport Primary School) and Cecilia Jennings (Loders).

Jennings had built a good lead by the time she reached the bottom of the hill once again to head back to the finishing line which she reached in 9:56 minutes, seven seconds ahead of Selway, with Jacobson a further 17 seconds

behind in third.

Symondsbury took the team title with Loders second, and St Catherine's third.

Finley Caudwell (St Catherine's), was favourite for the boy's race and he proved why, taking the lead from the outset and was never really threatened, winning in a time of 8:02 minutes.

Tom Kilcoyne (BPS), who finished third last year as a Year 6 chased hard, but could never quite close the gap and had to settle for a well-deserved second place in 8:22, with Owen Pitcher (Salway Ash) picking up third place a further 11 seconds further behind.

St Catherine's took the team title with Bridport Primary second and Parret and Axe third.

TSJCS would like to once again thank Philip and Eddie Colfox who represent Watton Hill Trust for the use of their land to both run and train on.

The second and final race in the series takes place at Beaminstor School in two weeks time.



◆ HOME ALONE: Cecilia Jennings wins the girl's race.



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## INSIDE: Local sport round-up

# Double trouble! Terras title hopes hit by twin defeats

WEYMOUTH'S promotion hopes took a serious blow last week when they lost back to back games.

Having been humbled at home by Paulton Rovers on Tuesday, they were well beaten at Slough on Saturday, although the damage was limited with their nearest rivals also not taking full advantage.

With Poole Town losing to third placed Redditch United at Tatnam and fourth placed Corby Town held to a draw by Hungerford Town, it leaves the Terras a point clear of Poole but the Dolphins have a game in hand.

### Home record shredded

**WEYMOUTH 2 PAULTON ROVERS 4**  
WEYMOUTH'S unbeaten home record was shattered by a side that had previously won once away all season.

Terras fans must have thought this was a great chance for their side to put pressure on the chasing pack with three

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points, but what a shock they had in store.

Paulton took the lead inside 90 seconds when Sam Teale was left unmarked to power a header past Jason Matthews from a corner, and they dictated the game from there on.

Both sides produced chances after this, but the Weymouth lost skipper and leading scorer Stewart Yetton midway through the first half with a head injury after a clash of heads.

He was replaced by Tim Sills and taken to hospital where he had seven stitches to close a bad gash on his head.

To add to their problems they had Ashley Wells sent off in first half injurytime for a poor challenge on Mitchell Page.

Rovers doubled their advantage on 58 minutes when George Rigg was robbed by Barnes who fired neatly home.

Two minutes later it was three as an unmarked Page poked his shot home via Matthews and the post.

Paulton were then reduced to ten when Stuart Tovey was dismissed for two yellow cards and almost immediately Weymouth pulled a goal back when Chris Shephard volleyed home Rigg's cross.

However, Rovers responded when Jamie Laird tried to play the offside but failed miserably, and Scott Wilson rounded Matthews to add a fourth.

Steve Colwell scored a consolation for the Terras in the last minute, bending his shot into the bottom corner.

### Terras slump at Slough

**SLOUGH TOWN 3 WEYMOUTH 0**

DESPITE the inclusion of Exeter City loanees Jamie Reid and Connor Riley-Lowe and with Calvin Brooks having re-signed following his loan period, Weymouth slumped to their second defeat in four days at Slough Town on Saturday.

As with Paulton Town earlier in the week, they conceded an early goal, this time after just 25 seconds when striker Ed Smith looped home a header.

Worse was to follow in the 12th minute when another Smith effort cannoned into the net off Jamie Laird.

Yetton, playing with a protective skull-cap to protect his injury sustained against Paulton, was booked for simulation as Weymouth became frustrated.

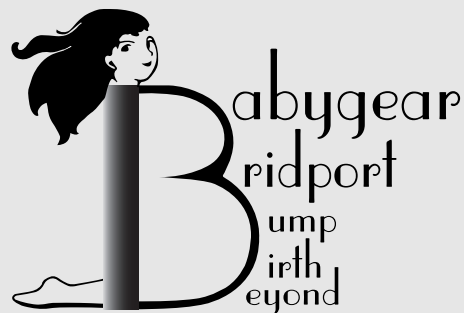
Two minutes later Slough Brooks was caught in possession and Guy Hollis set up Smith to beat Matthews.

Reid had his shot pushed on to the post by Rebels' keeper Luke Williams late in the first half but that was about as good as it got for Weymouth.

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